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# Imran Khan wounded in 'clear assassination bid'

Wanted to kill Khan for misleading people, says suspect in purported footage of the shooting at anti-government protest; several others in the former PM's convoy too were injured

**Reuters**
LAHORE

Former Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan was shot in the shin on Thursday when his anti-government protest convoy came under attack in the east of the country in what his aides said was a clear assassination attempt.

Mr. Khan, 70, who was ousted as Prime Minister in April, was six days into a miles-long protest procession, standing and waving to thousands of cheering supporters from the roof of a container truck when shots rang out. Several others in his convoy were wounded and Information Minister Marriyum Aurangzeb said a suspect had been arrested after the attack in Wazirabad, nearly 200 km from Islamabad.

A video grab of former Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan after he was shot in the shin in Wazirabad on Thursday. REUTERS

In purported footage of the shooting, being run by multiple channels, a man with a handgun is grabbed from behind by one of the people at the gathering. He then tries to flee. TV channels showed a man they said was a suspected shooter, who looked to be in his 20s or 30s. He said he wanted to kill Mr. Khan and had acted alone. "He [Khan] was misleading the people, and I couldn't bear it," the suspect said in the video.

Mr. Khan had been whipping up large crowds on his way to the capital Islamabad in a campaign to topple the government of rival Shehbaz Sharif.

"It was a clear assassination attempt. Khan was hit but he's stable. There was a lot of bleeding," Fawad Chaudhry, a spokesperson for Khan's Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party, said. "If the shooter had not been stopped by people there, the entire PTI leadership would have been wiped out."

He wrote on Twitter: "It was a well-planned assassination attempt, the assassin planned to kill Imran Khan and leadership of PTI, it was not 9 MM it was burst from automatic weapon, no two opinions about that it was narrow escape."

# Bypolls held in six States; heavy turnout in Munugode

**The Hindu Bureau**
NEW DELHI

Byelections to seven Assembly constituencies in six States, including Bihar and Uttar Pradesh, were held on Thursday with Andheri (East) registering 31.74% polling and Telangana's Munugode recording a heavy turnout.

The polls were held in Mokama and Gopalganj constituencies in Bihar, Andheri (East) in Maharashtra, Adampur in Haryana, Munugode in Telangana, Gola Gokarannath in Uttar Pradesh, and Dhamnagar in Odisha.

Among the seven seats, the BJP was in power in three seats and the Congress in two, while the Shiv Sena and the RJD held one each. Counting will take place on November 6.

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# Gujarat to vote in 2 phases, results to be out on December 8

## Battle lines drawn

Gujarat will go to polls in two phases in December this year. A look at key dates and voter demography

**Key dates**

| | |
|---|---|
| Polling | Dec. 1, Dec. 5 |
| Counting | Dec. 8 |

**Voter demography**

| | |
|---|---|
| Total electors | 4.91 crore |
| Newly enrolled* | 3.24 lakh |
| Voters aged 80+ | 9.87 lakh |

**Seat types**

| | |
|---|---|
| Total | 182 |
| SC | 13 |
| ST | 27 |

*turned 18 between Jan. 1 and Oct. 1, 2022

Source: ECI

**Jatin Anand**
NEW DELHI

The Gujarat Assembly election will be held in two phases on December 1 and 5, Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Rajiv Kumar announced here on Thursday. Votes will be counted on December 8.

Of the 182 Assembly constituencies in the State, 89 seats spread across 19 districts, including Morbi, will vote in the first phase, where a recent bridge collapse claimed 140 lives.

The second phase will cover 93 constituencies in 14 districts. The bridge collapse and its aftermath were among the factors considered in preparing the schedule, the CEC said.

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## NEARBY

### Renukacharya's nephew found dead

**HUBBALLI**
The missing case of the nephew of Chief Minister's Parliamentary Secretary M.P. Renukacharya took a tragic turn on Thursday, with the vehicle of M.R. Chandrashekhar being found in a canal with his decomposed body in it. » page 4

### BMTC to restart double-decker bus services

**BENGALURU**
The BMTC has invited an expression of interest for procuring double-decker electric buses and leasing 100 mini non-AC buses. » page 3

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# Woman and her twin babies die after she is refused admission at hospital

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

In a shocking incident, a 35-year-old woman and her twin babies died during delivery at her house after she was denied treatment at the Tumakuru District Hospital on Wednesday night.

The woman, a native of Tamil Nadu, had moved to Tumakuru a month ago. She was living in Bharatinagar along with her six-year-old daughter. The woman developed labour pain on Wednesday night and managed to reach the hospital with the help of her neighbour, Sarojamma.

District Surgeon H. Veena being gheraoed by residents of Bharatinagar in Tumakuru over the death of a woman who was denied admission at the district hospital. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

However, at the hospital she was asked to produce her Aadhaar card and Thayi (Mother) card, which she did not have. She was refused admission and asked to go to Victoria Hospital in Bengaluru, said her neighbours. Not having money to travel to Bengaluru, she returned to her home and delivered early in the morning. However, after the first baby was delivered, she developed complications and bled profusely. She died along with her babies. Her elder daughter, who saw her suffer in pain, was helpless.

Tumkuru District Surgeon H. Veena, who denied negligence, said the woman was taken inside the labour room.

"But the woman refused examination and returned home," she said. "A show-cause notice has been issued to nurses Yashoda, Divyabharati, and Savita, and Dr. Usha, the obstetrician/gynaecologist on duty," she said.

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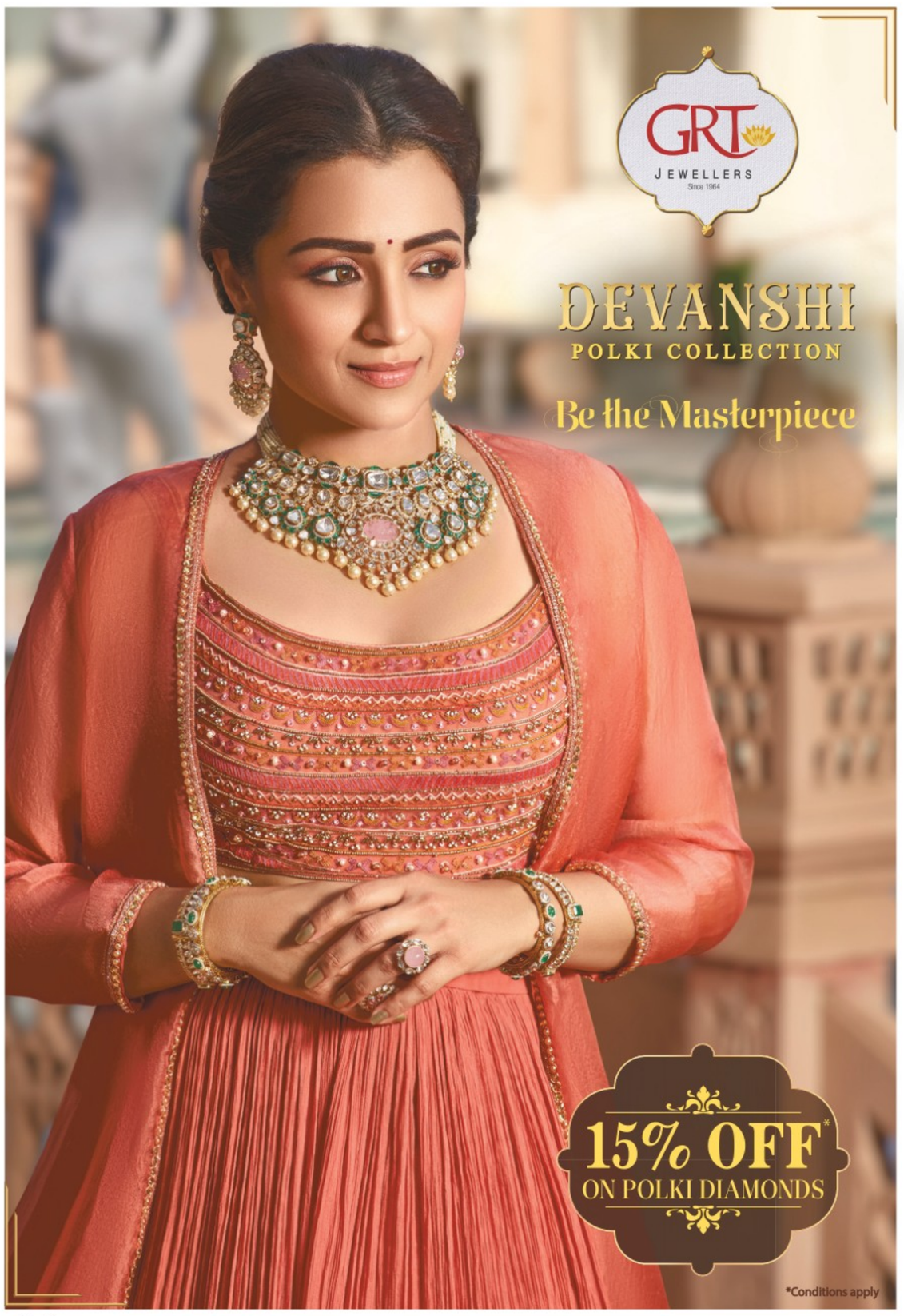
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# *Gold-mushroom combo to ease drug delivery*

Varsity's collaborative work on fungus-powered biosynthesised nanogold particles earns patent

**Rahul Karmakar**
GUWAHATI

Medicines may soon have traces of ultramicroscopic gold powered by a super mushroom for greater efficacy.

Cordy gold nanoparticles (Cor-AuNPs), the outcome of a collaborative experiment by scientists from four Indian institutions, has earned an international patent from Germany.

These nanoparticles, derived from the synthesis of the extracts of *Cordyceps militaris* and gold salts, could make drug delivery in the human body faster and surer.

*Cordyceps militaris* is a high-value parasitic fungus, lab-grown at the Department of Biotechnology's Technology Incubation Centre (TIC) in Bodoland University, one of the collaborators of the patented work. Gold salts are ionic chemical compounds of gold generally used in medicine.

**Key agent:** Lab-grown *Cordyceps militaris*. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

"Penetration in the cells is more when the drug particles are smaller. *Cordyceps militaris*, called super mushroom for its tremendous medicinal properties, adds bioactive components to the synthesis of gold nanoparticles for better penetration," Sandip Das, head of the incubation centre, told *The Hindu*. He was a contributor to developing Cor-AuNPs along with Vashkar Biswa and Raju Ali from Bodoland University.

The other collaborators were Shailendra Gurav, Nilambar Gurav and Girish Gawas of Goa University's Department of Pharmacology; Pradeep Gandhale from the National Institute of High Security Animal Diseases in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh; and Singamoorthy Amalraj and Muniappan Ayyanar of AVVM Sri Pushpam College in Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu.

Dr. Das and Mr. Biswa have been working extensively on the genetic diversity and medicinal properties of the wild Cordyceps mushroom found in the eastern Himalayan belt. Over eight years, they standardised the cultivation of this mushroom with antimicrobial, antidiabetic and antioxidant properties.

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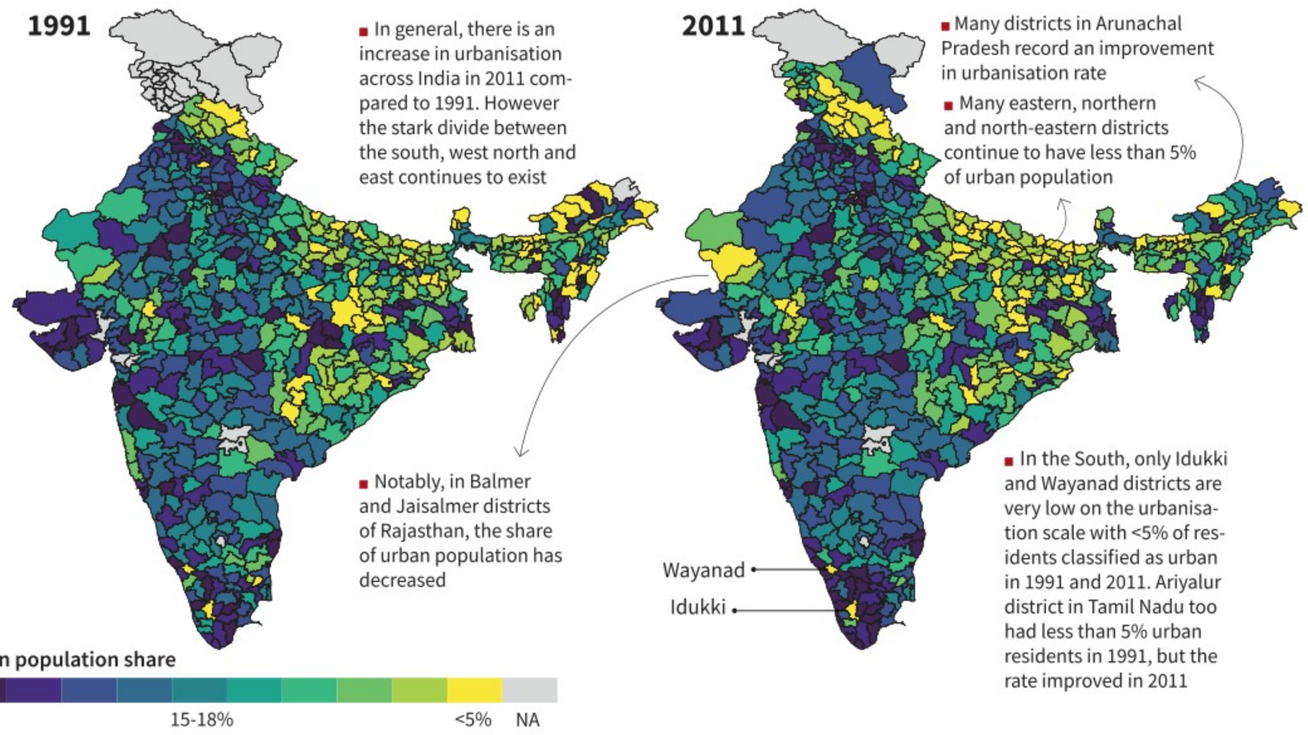
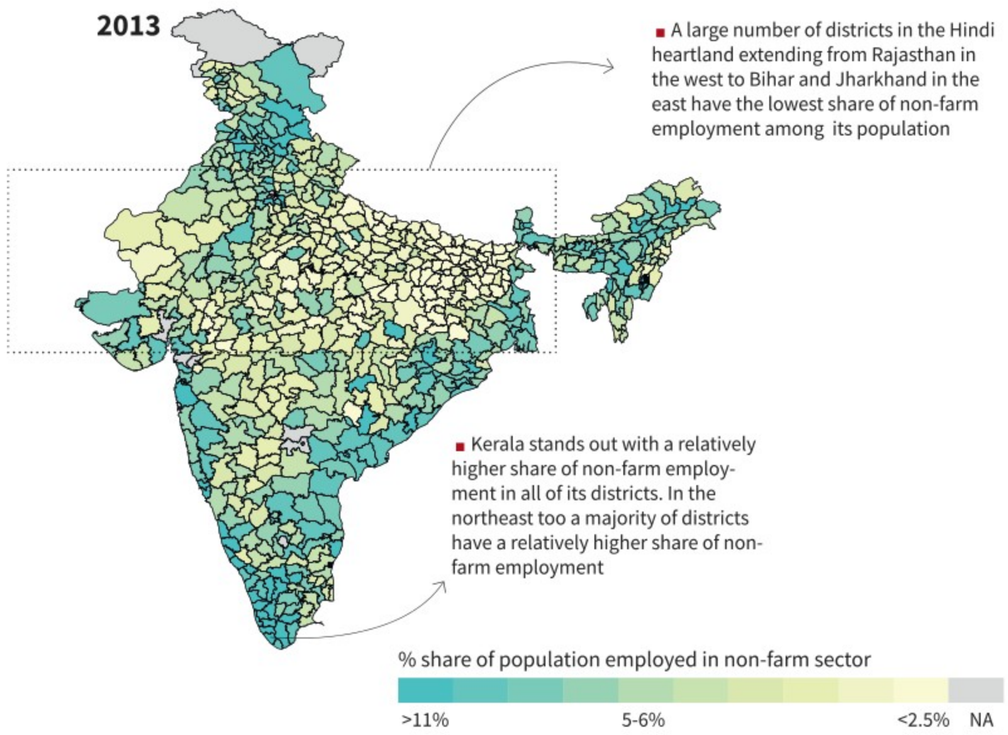
# Mapping India's urbanisation rate, consumption and employment patterns

Census figures and night-time luminosity data capture the stark divide between India's southern & western regions – more urbanised with relatively higher number of people employed in non-farm sectors and the northern & eastern regions – dominated by rural population with most engaged in agriculture. The data was sourced from Development Data Lab*

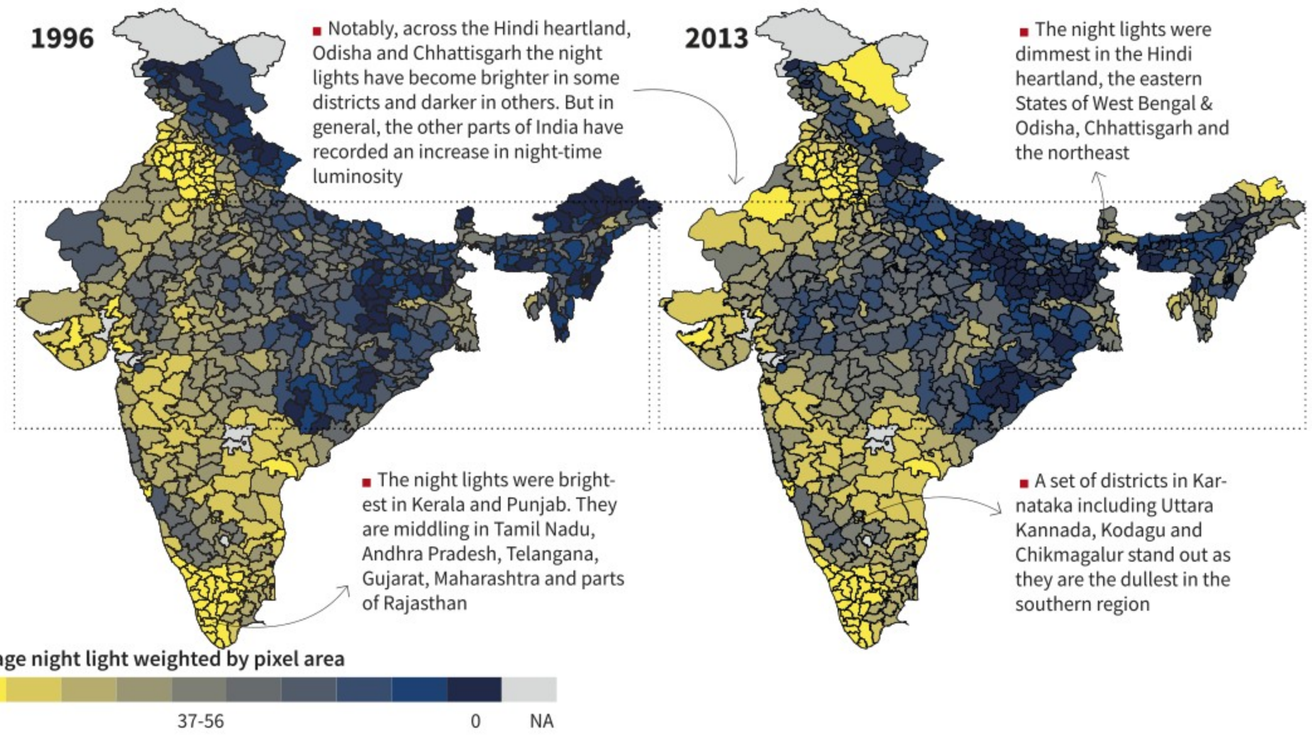
**URBANISATION |** The maps show the share of urban population in a district. The lighter the colour of a district, the lower the urban share. The darker the colour, the higher the share. The 2011 map brings out a pattern — urban population is much higher in the south, west and parts of north. Whereas in U.P., eastern India including Bihar & Jharkhand and some parts of northeast, the share is relatively much less


1991
2011
■ In general, there is an increase in urbanisation across India in 2011 compared to 1991. However the stark divide between the south, west north and east continues to exist
■ Notably, in Balmer and Jaisalmer districts of Rajasthan, the share of urban population has decreased
■ Many districts in Arunachal Pradesh record an improvement in urbanisation rate
■ Many eastern, northern and north-eastern districts continue to have less than 5% of urban population
■ In the South, only Idukki and Wayanad districts are very low on the urbanisation scale with <5% of residents classified as urban in 1991 and 2011. Ariyalur district in Tamil Nadu too had less than 5% urban residents in 1991, but the rate improved in 2011
Wayanad
Idukki
Urban population share
>40%
15-18%
<5%
NA

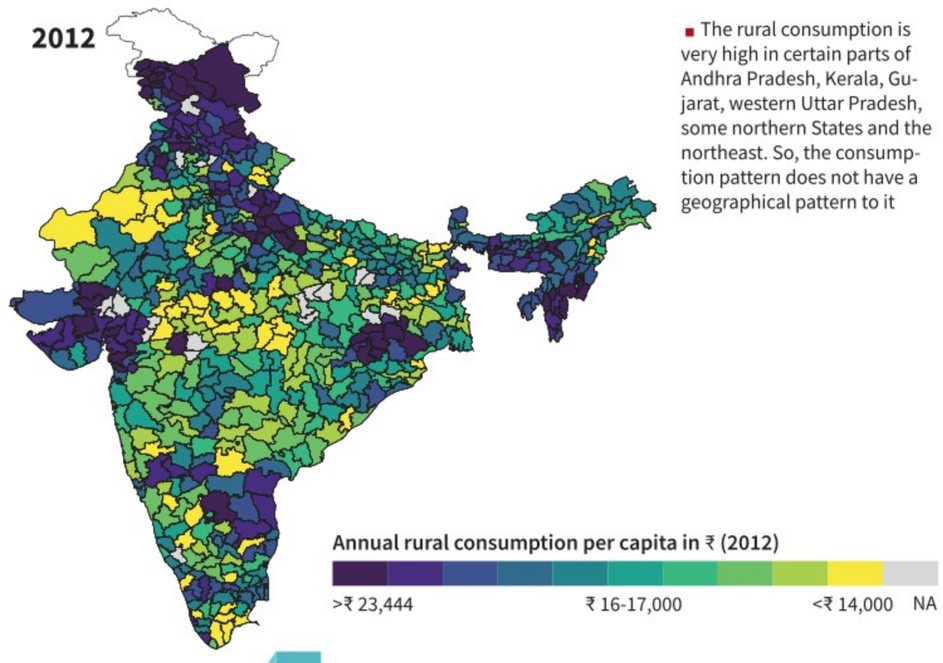
**NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT |** The map plots the % share employed in non-farm sector (2013 economic census) to population in a district (2011 census). The non-farm employment share is much higher along the coastal districts, in H.P. and parts of the northeast. It was the lowest in U.P., Bihar, Jharkhand, M.P. and Rajasthan


2013
■ A large number of districts in the Hindi heartland extending from Rajasthan in the west to Bihar and Jharkhand in the east have the lowest share of non-farm employment among its population
■ Kerala stands out with a relatively higher share of non-farm employment in all of its districts. In the northeast too a majority of districts have a relatively higher share of non-farm employment
% share of population employed in non-farm sector
>11%
5-6%
<2.5%
NA

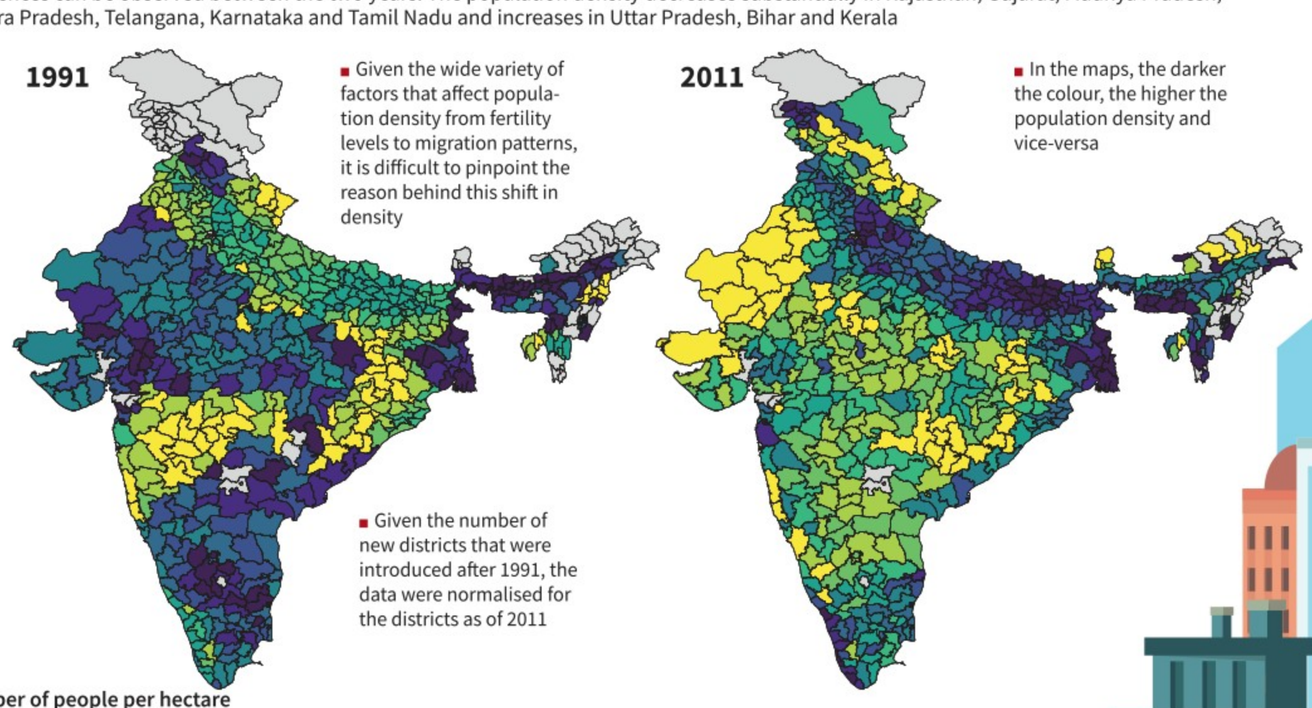
**NIGHT LIGHTS |** The maps show night-time luminosity or night lights measured using satellite images. The data is collated based on images shot by satellites that are part of the U.S. Air Force Defense Meteorological Satellite Program. In the maps, the lighter the colour, the higher the night time luminosity and vice-versa. Night lights are a good proxy for urbanisation and industrialisation in a region


1996
2013
■ Notably, across the Hindi heartland, Odisha and Chhattisgarh the night lights have become brighter in some districts and darker in others. But in general, the other parts of India have recorded an increase in night-time luminosity
■ The night lights were dimmest in the Hindi heartland, the eastern States of West Bengal & Odisha, Chhattisgarh and the northeast
■ The night lights were brightest in Kerala and Punjab. They are middling in Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Gujarat, Maharashtra and parts of Rajasthan
■ A set of districts in Karnataka including Uttara Kannada, Kodagu and Chikmagalur stand out as they are the dullest in the southern region
Average night light weighted by pixel area
>178
37-56
0
NA

**CONSUMPTION |** The map shows mean annual rural household consumption per capita in 2012 (in ₹). The consumption levels are collated based on India Human Development Survey and Socio Economic and Caste Census. The darker the district, the higher the consumption and vice-versa


2012
■ The rural consumption is very high in certain parts of Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Gujarat, western Uttar Pradesh, some northern States and the northeast. So, the consumption pattern does not have a geographical pattern to it
Annual rural consumption per capita in ₹ (2012)
>₹ 23,444
₹ 16-17,000
<₹ 14,000
NA

**POPULATION DENSITY |** The maps show the district-wise population density (number of people per hectare) in 1991 and 2011. Stark differences can be observed between the two years. The population density decreases substantially in Rajasthan, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu and increases in Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Kerala


1991
2011
■ Given the wide variety of factors that affect population density from fertility levels to migration patterns, it is difficult to pinpoint the reason behind this shift in density
■ In the maps, the darker the colour, the higher the population density and vice-versa
■ Given the number of new districts that were introduced after 1991, the data were normalised for the districts as of 2011
Number of people per hectare
>2,06,355
<224
NA

*Development Data Lab works with governments and private firms to generate insights

# Civic work makes a mess of Malleswaram; traders report loss

There are also certain traffic restrictions, which have made it difficult to access Sampige Road; MLA says the major development works which are going on will be completed by December

BIZ PLACE CHAOS

**Jahnavi T.R.**
BENGALURU

Popular as one of the oldest shopping hubs in the city, Malleswaram, traders say, has lost over 50% of its business in the last year, thanks to the civic work going on there. Just walking, let alone shopping, has become a strenuous task for over a year now on Sampige Road due to the lack of pedestrian space, encroachment by street vendors, traffic snarls and the dust and dirt.

On Sampige Road, while Smart City work is going on to provide better footpaths and streetlights, Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board is also carrying out work too. As a result, there is practically no footpath for pedestrians on most stretches of the busy road. The available footpath stretches are also occupied by street vendors, compelling pedestrians to find their way through the traffic. There are also some traffic restrictions, which have made it difficult to access the road.

Around 450 traders have their shops set up on the popular road, most of them textile and jewellery stores. "Buses do not come here anymore as they take a diversion from Sampige junction. Even most autorickshaws and cabs do not accept rides to come to this road. So how will shoppers come here? This festive season, the traders lost 50-60% of their business. During the pandemic, businesses had taken a great hit and just when it had started to recover afterwards, these civic works started and affected business again", said Arun Kumar, Secretary, Malleswaram Commercial Traders' Association.

Some traders said that while regular customers still visit their shops, the newer, younger customer base would rather go to the nearby malls when the road is in a bad condition.

Work being undertaken on Sampige Road in Bengaluru. BHAGYA PRAKASH K.

Meanwhile, Ashwath Narayan, Malleswaram MLA, on Thursday said that the major civic works, including white-topping, drainage and drinking water pipes and installation of manholes, will be completed by December.

## Couple fixes pothole after escaping accident

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

M. Nagamani and her husband, who have been residents of Malleswaram for 25 years now, were riding on a two-wheeler near 18th cross when a pothole caused them to lose balance of the vehicle.

"We escaped a major accident by a hair's breadth. There were vehicles on both sides and if we had fallen down on either side, it would have ended differently," Ms. Nagamani told *The Hindu*.

She continued: "To ensure that no one else suffers an accident at the spot, within 10 minutes, I gathered some asphalt and soil and closed the pothole."

The video of the couple closing the pothole soon went viral on social media with many condemning civic authorities for their inaction.

**Text & Context**

A weekday feature on *The Hindu* epaper (epaper.thehindu.com) carries explainers, special articles and a quiz. In the latest issue (November 4, Friday), the following explainer is available:

- In the limelight | Seeing the past from the prism of the present **bit.ly/pastandpresenttc**

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Any person who has got any Right, Title, Interest or claim and objections if any to the proposed sale transaction may write to the undersigned with documentary proof within **SEVEN DAYS** from the date of Publication of this Notice, failing which it is presumed that there are no claims, and no objections, and my client will proceed with the said sale transaction and no claims or objections will be entertained thereafter.

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ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of Residential Vacant Site Bearing Municipal Corporation **No.9/1-B,** situated at 3rd Cross, L.N.Reddy Garden, Old BBMP Ward No.94, New BBMP Ward No.24, Kariyanapalya, Kacharakanahalli, Bangalore, (formerly Being Centre Portion of Site Bearing No.9/1, situated at Kariyanapalya, Kacharakanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore) along with all the appurtenances whether underneath the soil or above the surface. **Allotted PID No.94-161-9/1-B**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The General Public are hereby informed that our client **Dr. Ajay Singh** S/o Sri. Dharam Singh residing at No.1 RMV Extension, Sadashivnagar Bangalore 560080 has lost the original Sale Deed dated 18.09.2008, vide document No.2376/2008-09, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar of IDAIKAL, executed by Mr. R. Ravikumar S/o. Mr. Ramakrishnan in favour of **Mr.Ajay Singh,** S/o.Mr.Dharam Singh in respect land bearing SF No. 146/8A measuring 0.20.5 Hectare, Sy No. 146/8B measuring 0.20.0 Hectare, along with pathway of SF No.151/1E &1D, situated at Poigai Village, Tenkasi Taluk, Tirunelveli District, Tamil Nadu State together with relevant RTC, MR, Survey records and original Sale Deed dated 18.09.2008, vide document No. 2377/2008-09, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar of Idaikal, executed by Mr.R.Ravikumar S/o.Mr.Ramakrishnan in favour of Mr.Ajay Singh, S/o.Mr.Dharam Singh in respect land bearing SF No. 158/19B measuring 0.13.5 Hectare and SF No. 158/20 measuring 0.27.12 Hectare, situated at Poigai Village, Tenkasi Taluk, Tirunelveli District, Tamil Nadu State bounded on East by Canel, West by Tar Road, North by SF No.158/19 A and SF No.158/19 B, South by 158/20 together with relevant RTC, MR, Survey records on 18.08.2022 while travelling from No.1 RMV Extension, Sadashivnagar Bangalore 560080 to the office at No. 2, 3rd Floor, MLA Layout, Matadahalli Main Road, R T Nagar, Bengaluru-560032 In this regard our client has lodged a Complaint on 27.10.2022 before R T Nagar Police Station, Bengaluru-560032 vide GSC No. PO1352220600403. Hence the General Public if found in anywhere please surrender the same to under singed ***within 7 days*** from the date of this publication and if anybody illegally possess the said documents or misused the same they will attract criminal act and it is warm to the public not to deal /transact with those documents with anybody in respect of the aforesaid properties and if anybody act or use or transact on the aforesaid documents the owners of the aforesaid properties are not held responsible for the said transactions.

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This notice is issued on behalf of My client **Sri.C.Manjunath S/o Late Chinnanna alias Chinnappa** to bring the notice of the general public that the **original registered Gift deed,** bearing **Doc.No.BNS-1-05895/2019-20 of Book-I, Stored in CD No.BNSD807,** registered in the office of the sub-register, Banaswadi, Bangalore, executed by **Smt.Jayamma** in favour of **Sri.C.Manjunath** is missing / lost/ misplaced in respect of schedule property.

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**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All the piece and parcel of the residential immovable property bearing **site No.115,** BBMP B Katha Sl.No.2527, measuring East to West: 13½ feet and North to South: 15 feet, in all measuring 202.5 Sq.feet, situated at **Muneshwara Nagar, Kowdenahalli Dhakle, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk,** now comes under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore and bounded by:

**East by : Property of Sri.Srinivas,**
**West by : Property of Sri.Ramakrishna,**
**North by : Property of Sri.Nagappa**
**South by : Passage (Kalu Dhari)**

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**SCHEDULE 'A'**

(The Property on which the Building Sobha Jasmine was constructed)

All that the residentially converted land bearing Survey Nos. 31/2, 31/3 and 31/4, **Ibblur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,** measuring in all about **2,25,970.05 Square Feet.** bounded as follows:-

**East :** By green glen layout, **West :** By Sy. No.31/1 & 14/1 of Ibblur Village, **North :** By road in Sy.31/4, 31/2 and thereafter Sy.no.31/5 of Ibblur Village, **South:** By remaining portion of Sy.no.31/4, 31/3 & 30 of Ibblur Village

**SCHEDULE 'B'**

(Property hereby to be conveyed to the PURCHASERS)

An undivided 0.32% share, right title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property i.e **730.45 Square Feet.**

**SCHEDULE 'C'**

(Description of the apartment constructed on the Schedule 'A' corresponding to the acquisition of Schedule 'B' Property)

A Three Bedroom Apartment bearing No.C2-5071 in the Seventh Floor in the Apartment Building known as **"SOBHA JASMINE"** (constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property) having a built-up area of **2022.10 Square Feet** (which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and proportionate share in common areas and a share in the club house area) together with One Car parking space in the basement.

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All that the residentially converted land bearing Survey Nos. 31/2, 31/3 and 31/4, **Ibblur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,** measuring in all about **2,25,970.05 Square Feet.** bounded as follows:-

**East :** By green glen layout, **West :** By Sy. No.31/1 & 14/1 of Ibblur Village, **North :** By road in Sy.31/4, 31/2 and thereafter Sy.no.31/5 of Ibblur Village, **South:** By remaining portion of Sy.no.31/4, 31/3 & 30 of Ibblur Village

**SCHEDULE 'B'**

(Property hereby to be conveyed to the PURCHASERS)

An undivided 0.32% share, right title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property i.e **718.19 Square Feet.**

**SCHEDULE 'C'**

(Description of the apartment constructed on the Schedule 'A' corresponding to the acquisition of Schedule 'B' Property)

A Three Bedroom Apartment bearing No.D2-4075 in the Seventh Floor in the Apartment Building known as **"SOBHA JASMINE"**(constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property) having a built-up area of **1990.15 Square Feet** (which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and proportionate share in common areas and a share in the club house area) together with One Car parking space in the basement.

**N. Manohar,** Advocate,
No.59, 'Money Point', Ground Floor,
GF-2-1/2, K.H. Road, Bengaluru-560027
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Cell: 9379740343.

**BANNERGHATTA BIOLOGICAL PARK**
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
BANNERGHATTA BIOLOGICAL PARK, BENGALURU - 83.
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**No:A3/BBP/Tender/Civil Works/CR-8/2022-23 Date: 29-10-2022**

**TENDER NOTIFICATION**

The Executive Director, Bannerghatta Biological Park, Bangalore herein after referred as Tender Inviting Authority, has invited e-Tender from the Eligible PWD Contractors for **"Carryout Civil Development Works" at Bannerghatta Biological Park.**

Detailed tender documents may be downloaded from the Website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** Tenders may be submitted along with the prescribed EMD and tender fees electronically in e-Proc **on or before 18-11-2022 upto 16.00 Hrs.** Technical Bid will be Opened on **21-11-2022 after 11.30 AM.** and Financial Bid will be Opened on **24-11-2022 after 11.30 AM.**

**Sd/-**
**Executive Director**

DIPR/CP/2902/Adverto/2022-23

**KARNATAKA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION**
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**No: KERC/DD(Trans.)/KPTCL/MISC-1/2019-20/1738/Bengaluru Date: 03-11-2022**

**NOTICE**

**Sub: Draft "(Sharing of Revenue form other Business of Transmission and / or Distribution Licensee(s)) (First Amendment) Regulations, 2022.**

The draft Regulations of the subject is published in the State Gazette on 28-10-2022. Copy of the draft Regulations is also made available in the KERC Website: **https://kerc.karnataka.gov.in.**

Interested persons may file their Comments / Views / Suggestions / Objections if any, on the above draft Regulations to the Secretary, KERC, within 30 days from the date of publication in the Karnataka State Official Gazette.

**Sd/- Secretary**
**For Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission**

DIPR/CP/2907/2022-23

FORM No.22
[See Regulation 37{1}]

**Government of India**
**MINISTRY OF FINANCE**
**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES (BANKING DIVISION)**
**DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II**
LIC Jeevan Mangal Building, 2nd Floor, No.4, Residency Road,
Bengaluru-560 025.

**SALE PROCLAMATION**

(PROCLAMATION OF SALE UNDER RULES 48 to 51 AND 52[2] OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961 READ WITH THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS AND BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993)

**TRC No.286/2019 IN O.A.No.500/2017**

**Between : Punjab National Bank and M/s Hi-Tech Forge & Ors**

To : **1. M/s Hi Tech Forge, Prop. Mr Harish N,** No. 39, H "C" Cross, Doreshanipalya, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru - 560076. **2. Mr Harish N, S/o Late Nagarajaiah,** Residing at No. 21, 2nd Main Road, Raghavendra Layout, Hosakerehalli, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru - 560085. **3. Mrs Ramadevi, D/o Late Senthanan,** No. 16, Sir MV Layout, Near New Raghavendra Temple, Devarachikkanahalli, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru - 560076. **4. Mr T Gopinath,** No. 383, 22nd Main, AGS Layout, Arehalli Village, Uttarahalli Main, Bengaluru – 560061.

Whereas you have failed to pay the sum of **Rs. 2,90,54,250/- (Rupees Two Crore Ninety Lakh Fifty-Four Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Only)** payable by you in respect of **Recovery Certificate No. TRC No. 286/2019 IN O.A. NO. 500/2017** by the Presiding Officer, Debt Recovery Tribunal Bangalore and the interest and costs as per certificate. And whereas the undersigned has ordered the sale of property mentioned in the Schedule below in satisfaction of the said Certificates.

And whereas there will be due there under a sum of **Rs. 2,90,54,250/-** plus further interest, costs and charges as on **25/11/2016** along with future interest till realization.

Notice is hereby given that in absence of any order of postponement, the said property shall be sold on **09 December 2022 between 11.00 AM to 11.30 AM** by e-auction and bidding shall take place through **"Online Electronic Bidding"** through the website : **http://drt.auctiontiger.net M/S e-Procurement Technologies Ltd, (Auction Tiger)** Ahmedabad **[Contact No. 9722778828 or 079-6813-6841/55/51 or 079-6813-6800 Email Id Karnataka@auctiontiger.net, praveen.thevar@auctiontiger.net].** Contact person - **Mr Praveen Kumar Thevar - 9722778828.**

For further details contact **Mr. N Satish,** Senior Manager, Punjab National Bank, SASTRA centre Bangalore East Circle, No.26-27, MG Road, Raheja Towers, 1 floor, Bangalore-560001 for ascertaining the details of the property and also for inspection of property, **contact Mobile: 63668-92233.**

The sale will be of the property of the defendant No.2 above named as mentioned in the schedule below and the liabilities and claims attaching to the said property, so far as they have been ascertained, are those specified in the schedule against each lot.

The property will be put up for the sale in a single lot specified in the schedule. If the amount to be realized is satisfied by the sale of a portion of the property, the sale shall be immediately stopped with respect to the reminder. The sale also be stopped. if, before any lot is knocked down, the arrears mentioned in the said Certificate, interest costs [including cost of the sale] are tendered to the officer conducting the sale or proof is given to his satisfaction that the amount of such certificate, interest and costs have been paid to the undersigned.

No officer or other person, having any duty to perform in connection with sale, however, either directly or indirectly bid for, acquire or attempt to acquire any interest in the property sold. The sale shall be subject to the conditions prescribed in second schedule of the Income Tax Act, 1961 and the rules made there under and to the further following conditions.

The particulars specified in the annexed schedule have been stated to the best of the information of the undersigned, but the undersigned shall not be answerable for any error, mis-statement or omission in this proclamation.

1. The reserve price below which the property shall not be sold is **Rs.90,50,000/- (Rupees Ninety Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only).**
2. The amount by which the biddings are to be increased shall be **Rs.25,000/- (Rs. Twenty Five Thousand)** in the event of any dispute arising as to the amount of bid, or as to the bidder, the lot shall at once be again put up to auction.
3. The prospective bidders are advised to peruse the copies of the Title Deeds with the Bank and verify the latest encumbrance Certificate and other revenue / Municipal records to exercise due diligence and satisfy themselves on the title and encumbrances, if any, over the property.
4. The highest bidder shall be declared to be the purchaser of any lot provided that further that the amount bid him is not less than the reserve price. It shall be at discretion of the undersigned to decline/ accept the highest bid when the price offered appears so clearly inadequate as to make it inadvisable to do so.
5. For participating in E-auction, Ten percent EMD shall be deposited by the proposed bidder through RTGS/NEFT/directly into the Indian Bank Account No.6735242318, B/o Richmond Circle, Bangalore through IFSC CODE IDIBOOOR018 or by way of DD favoring Recovery officer-1, DRT-2 payable at Bangalore in the account of "Punjab National Bank RC No. 286/2019" and the intending bidders should submit the bid form duly filled along with copy of PAN Card, Address Proof and Identity Proof, Email Id, Mobile no. and in case of the company or any other document confirming representation/attorney of the company and the receipt/ counter file of such deposit/Demand Draft towards EMD in a sealed cover by **3.00 PM on 7 December 2022** to Recovery Officer 1 DRT 2 Bangalore. The sealed cover should be superscribed with Bid Form for participating in e auction sale in RC No 286/2019", Bid form may be collected from the Bank's office or the office of DRT. EMD deposited thereafter shall not be considered for participation in the e auction.
6. **The successful bidder shall have to pay 25% of the sale proceeds after adjustment of EMD on being knocked down by next date by 3.00 PM** in the said account as per detail mentioned in para 4 above. If the next day is holiday, or Sunday, then on next first office working day.
7. The purchaser shall deposit the balance **75% of the sale proceeds on or before 15th day from the date of sale of the property,** exclusive of such day, or if the 15th day be Sunday or other holiday, then on the first office day after the 15th day by prescribed mode as stated in para 4 above. In addition to the above the purchaser shall also deposit poundage fee with Recovery Officer 1 DRT 2 Bangalore @2% upto Rs.1000 and 1% on amounts above Rs.1000/- online through www.bhatatkosh.gov.in by selecting the following:

Ministry -> Department of Financial services -> Functional head -> service fees PAO code 006701, PAO, DFS, Nagpur and DDO code 208095, SO/DRT2 Bangalore.

A copy of the receipt is to be filed before this Authority for record purpose.

In case of default of payment within the prescribed period, the deposit, after defraying expenses of the sale, may, if the undersigned thinks fit, be forfeited to the Government and the defaulting purchaser shall forfeit all claims to the property or to any part of the sum for which it may subsequently be sold. The property shall be resold, after the issue of fresh proclamation of sale.

The property is being sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS AND AS IS WHATEVER IS BASIS".** The undersigned reserve the right to accept or reject any or all bids if found unreasonable or postpone the auction at any time without assigning any reason.

| No of Lots | Description of the properties to be sold with names of owners where the properties belonging to defaulter any other person as co-owners. | Revenue assessed upon the property or any part thereof. | Details of any of the encumbrance to which the property is liable | Claims, If any which have been put forward to the property and any other known particulars bearing on its nature and value. | Reserve Price | EMD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Scheduled property standing in the name of CD No.2 Mr Harish N, S/o Late Nagarajaiah, | Rs.12,000/- (Estimated) | Nill | Nill | **Rs.90,50,000/-** (Rupees Ninety Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only) | **Rs.9,05,000/-** (Rupees Nine Lakhs Five Thousand Only) |

**Schedule of property** : All that piece and parcel of immovable property situated at Municipal No. 37 (Old No. 21/3 and 21), House List No. 21, Khata No. 21/3 and 21/4, 2nd Main Road, BSK 3rd Stage, Ward No. 55, Hosakerehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet, total area 1200 sq ft, and bounded on **East :** Property No. 13, **West :** Road, **North :** Property No. 22 and **South :** Property No. 20. The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids if found unreasonable or postpone the auction at any time without assigning any reason.

**E-AUCTION SCHEDULE**

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| Date and Time of E-Auction | **9 December 2022 between 11:00 AM and 11:30 AM** |
| Last date and time for submission of bids/ tender submission/EMD | **7 December 2022 before 15:00 Hours** |
| Reserve Price | **Rs.90,50,000/- (Rupees Ninety Lakhs Fifty Thousan Only)** |
| Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) | **Rs.9,05,000/- (Rupees Nine Lakhs Five Thousand Only)** |
| Bid increment amount | **Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand Only)** |

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this the **2nd of November 2022.**

Sd/-
Recovery Officer I,
Debts Recovery Tribunal -II, Bengaluru

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Karnataka, constituted by the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India, vide its letter No. SEIAA 50 CON 2022 dated: 29-07-2022 has accorded Environmental Clearance to **M/s. APG Premium Residential Private Ltd** for construction of Residential Development Project in the name of Assetz Residential Development at Doddabanahalli Survey Nos. 109/1, 109/2, 109/10, and 110 Doddabanahalli Village Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk Bengaluru as per applicable provisions of EIA Notification, 2006 and amended thereafter.

Copy of the Clearance letter is available with the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board and may also be seen on the website of the SEIAA, Karnataka at **http://seiaa.karnataka.gov.in / http://seiaa.kar.nic.in** & **http://environmentclearance.nic.in**

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**CHANGE OF NAME**

**I, Arul** Jyoti, Spouse of No. 1086014X Rank: TSLD Name: M.Kanagesh, R/a # TS 16, 1st Cross, Muneshwara Block, P.G.Halli, Post Office Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003 have changed my name from Arul Jyoti to K. Arul Jyothi vide affidavit dated 28.10.2022 before Advocate & Notary Y.R.Chandrasekar, B'lore-32.

**I, ANIL** Kumar S, R/o Door No. 203, JPC Pearl, 1st Main, 13th Cross, AGS Layout, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru-560061 have changed my name to Sharoff Sundar Raj Anil Gupta vide affidavit dt: 03.11.2022 sworn before Notary Varija.C.J, B'lore.

**I, VIJAYA** Kumar Neelakandan, R/a No.416, 14th C Cross, Pai Layout, Old Madras Road, K.R.Puram, Bangalore-560016 have changed my name to Vijay Kumar.Neelakandan vide affidavit dated 03.11.2022 sworn before Notary A.Manjula, B'lore.

**I, SHRAVYA,** R/a No.1881, South End C Cross, Jayangar 9th Block, Bangalore-560069 have changed my name to Shravya Bhat vide affidavit dated: 03.11.2022 sworn before Notary A.Manjula, B'lore

**WE, SELVARAJ** A & Sagaya Mary D parents of minor daughter Vanenzuela D O B 02-08-2013, R/o 297, 3rd "D" Cross, Ganesha Temple Road, Krishnarajapuram, Bengaluru-560036 have changed her name from Vanenzuela to Venisha vide affidavit dated 03-11-2022 before Notary A.R.Muneer Ahmed, B'lore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

**I, Sunita Ghosh** W/o Dhruba Jyoti Ghosh, R/a CB 903, Salarpuria Greenage, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore - 560068, have changed my name to **Sunita Muralidharan**, vide affidavit dated: 03/11/2022 before Notary A.R.Muneer Ahmed, Bangalore.

**PERSONAL**

**CHANGE OF NAME**

**I, AIYASHA** Begum W/o Shaik Magbul Saheb residing at No.28/1, 4th Cross, MD Block, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560003 Karnataka have changed my name to Ayesha Begum vide affidavit dated 03/11/2022 before Meer Hassan Notary, Bengaluru.

**LOST & FOUND**

**IT IS** notified that my Diploma in Pharmacy Certificate issued in the Year 2008 with Roll Number 28064310 issued by DME has been lost. Name of the Candidate: Ambiga daughter of Madhu A, College Name- Sri Gokulam College of Pharmacy, Salem, Tamil Nadu Address- 175, 5th Cross, Badrappa Layout, Bengaluru, KA-560094. If found, please Contact: +91 7676846636

**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

**I, ALEY** KUTTY GEORGE, spouse of Ex–13917971 Rank Sep, George John, residing at # 8 K, # 2044, New Rajanna Layout, Near Christian College, Horamavu Agara, Karnataka Bangalore 560043 have changed my name from ALEY KUTTY GEORGE to EALI GEORGE and date of birth 51 yrs in PPO to 08/08/1947 vide affidavit dated 02/11/2022, before Notary Seshagiri.B it is to change the same in Army records.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**I, MANISH** Agarwal, S/o Shri Narayan Prasad Agarwal, R/a No.4925, 11th Floor High Point No.IV, 45 Palace Road, Bangalore-560001 hereby state that both the names Manish Agarwal and Manish Patodia belongs to one and the same person i.e., me only vide affidavit dated 14.11.2019 sworn before Notary N.Thulasi, B'lore.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**LOSS OF ORIGINAL SALE DEED**

This is to inform the General Public that I, Rashmi Sood, D/o H.L Malhotra, R/o B-30, Maharani Bagh, New Delhi-110065, Partner at M/S A.B Estates, having its office at No B-30 Maharani Bagh have lost the Original Sale Deed bearing Document No. 4197/94-95, Dt: 15/03/1995, in respect of Apartment bearing No.B-405, situated on the Fourth Floor, measuring 1545 Sq.ft Super Built up area, Somerset Apartment, MG Road, Bengaluru-560001, and the said document is not traceable/ found inspite of our best efforts. We have also lodged a police complaint in this regard. **If found kindly Contact- 9810839068**

**TENDERS**

**CHRISTIAN MEDICAL COLLEGE**

CMC Vellore invites closed tenders from Firms / Organizations/ Individuals who have 5 years of experience in car parking management with Govt. / Private organizations and are desirous to run the same in Centenary Grounds (Multi-level Car Parking), CMC Vellore for a period of 1 year extendable upto 3 years.

Tender forms along with detailed terms and conditions can be downloaded from CMC **Website: www.cmch-vellore.edu** under General from **3rd November 2022.**

Interested and qualified parties shall submit the completed applications supported by prescribed documents in a sealed cover to **The General Superintendent, Ida Scudder Road, Vellore-632004, TN.** **on or before 25th November 2022.**

For Clarifications, email to **gso2@cmcvellore.ac.in**

**General Superintendent**
CMC Vellore

## NEWS IN NUMBERS

### 'Thousands of schools have shut down in India during 2020-21'

**20,000** The number of schools shut down across India during 2020-21, while the number of teachers also declined by 1.95% compared to the previous year, according to a new report by the Ministry of Education. Moreover, only 44.85% of schools had computer facilities, while nearly 34% had an internet connection. PTI

### Share of farm fires in Delhi's pollution jumps, leads to fog

**38** In %, the share of stubble burning in Delhi's PM2.5 pollution on Thursday, which, experts said was the reason behind the thick layer of pungent smog over the national capital. Delhi's air quality slipped back into "severe" zone on Thursday morning amid raging farm fires. Punjab had on Wednesday reported 3,634 farm fires, the highest this season so far. PTI

### Turkish inflation surges, crosses highest level since 1997

**85** In %, Turkey's inflation in October, the highest level since 1997 as President Recep Tayyip Erdogan sticks to unorthodox policies to combat cost-of-living crisis. Central banks worldwide are raising borrowing costs to tame soaring consumer prices, but Turkey has bucked the global trend, with Mr. Erdogan calling higher interest rates his "biggest enemy". AFP

### Peace agreement in Ethiopia's Tigray war announced

**2** The number of years after war broke out in northern Ethiopia between federal forces and Tigrayan rebels, a breakthrough agreement has been announced. The region of six million people has been largely closed off to the outside world for well over a year, making it very difficult to assess conditions on the ground. The country remains in deep crisis, with its once-vibrant economy in ruins. AFP

### Over a million children still missing school in flood-hit Pakistan

**2** In million, the number of children in areas of Pakistan devastated by summer's floods still missing school, according to UN children's agency. The deluge, which began in mid-June, destroyed nearly 27,000 school buildings, the UNICEF said. According to Pakistani officials, 647 children were killed by the flooding. The World Bank said the floods caused $40 billion in damages. PTI

## IN THE LIMELIGHT

# Seeing the past from the prism of the present

The recent controversy on the *Adipurush* teaser should make us introspect that are we becoming a society that doesn't believe in multiple truths

**Anuj Kumar**

In times when even teasers of films are reviewed and recommended by media organisations, a controversy erupted when the 1.46-minute promotional video of Om Raut's *Adipurush* failed social media scrutiny. Touted as a grand retelling of the Ramayana for the young and digitally mobile, a section of the audience found the representation of Ravana and Hanuman so off the mark that petitions have been filed in Delhi and Jaunpur courts demanding a stay on the release of the film because the promo allegedly hurt the religious sentiments of Hindus.

The plaintiffs claim the depiction of Ram, Hanuman and Ravana doesn't go with their looks described in the epic texts. Apart from Ram's moustache and aggressive demeanour and Hanuman's leather jackets, what irked the trolls the most was the representation of Ravana as an "Islamic invader". For them, the get-up of Saif Ali Khan, who plays the part, evokes memories of Allauddin Khilji, Babur, and Aurangzeb. Perhaps, the only possible connecting link is the beard and the haircut that the self-anointed critics found more Islamic than Hindu.

The makers of the film defended the representation by pointing out the Hindu symbols that Ravana is seen sporting and pleaded that the critics should wait for the film to release. However, Manoj Muntashir, the lyricist and one of the proponents of 'nationalist' cinema, said in an interview that both Ravana and Khilji represent the evil of different eras. "Even if they look similar, what's the harm."

A still from the film, *Adipurush*.

**Stark resemblance**

Perhaps, the representation reflects a continuity that we missed and that Raut is getting the taste of the narrative that he himself flaunted before where the past is not seen from the prism of Ganga-Jamuni *tehzeeb* (syncretic culture). Raut's previous film *Tanhaji: The Unsung Warrior* also had a problematic representation of the villain Udaybhan Singh Rathod, a general of Mughal emperor Aurangzeb who fought against Tanhaji who represented Chhatrapati Shivaji in the Battle of Kondhana. While both the generals were Hindus, unlike Tanhaji, Udaybhan was shown without any religious markers and his get-up and food habits reflected the stereotyped version of a Muslim villain.

But the little-known Udaybhan doesn't hold in front of Ravana, whom the faithful see as a brilliant Brahmin, a Shiva devotee who could not control his desires. Over the years, the face of evil has been an interesting subject for filmmakers to explore. In Mani Ratnam's *Raavan* (2010), a modern-day adaptation of the Ramayana, Beera is many shades lighter than the popular image. He is shown as a social outcast who is out to avenge the injustice done to his sister and by the end, the lines between Ram and Ravana blur.

In Johny Bakshi's *Raavan* (1984), starring Smita Patil and Om Puri, myth and reality intertwine as a village doesn't burn the effigy of Ravana on Dussehra because years before a girl transformed a Ravana into Ram.

Similarly, Hardik Gajjar's *Bhavai* (2021), originally titled *Ravan Leela,* captures the unsaid between Ravana and Sita, how the epic is being used for political gains, and in the process expects the audience to appreciate the difference between the character and the actors playing them.

The idea of interpretation is not exactly new. From Kamban to Tulsidas – who lived in the times of Mughal emperor Akbar – Valmiki's Ramayana is one story that has inspired writers over generations. The basic storyline remains the same but they have taken creative liberties according to the times they lived in and their own lived experiences. For instance, the depiction of Lakshman Rekha changes from Valmiki Ramayana to Tulsidas' version to Ramanand Sagar's literal interpretation in the television serial. Similarly, the Uttara Kand is depicted differently in different versions. The way poet Kalidasa has described clouds in *Meghaduta* reads like a tribute to Valmiki's description of the atmosphere when Ram was made to wait at the sea by the rain gods before crossing over to Lanka. When Akbar ordered the illustrated version of the Ramayana, the artists had little for reference. Many paintings are innovations of the Mughal period. Interestingly, Ram is shown without moustache in the miniatures.

However, in the recent past, an attempt is being made by creatives close to the ruling dispensation to blur the lines between literature and history. Perhaps, it helps because, in the real world, the followers of sage Valmiki are yet to be fully integrated into the Hindu fold. Characters like Kevat and Shabri are invoked during election speeches to underline an egalitarian past. Plus, a sense is being generated that we have been focusing too much on the calm face and are overlooking the weapons in the hands of our gods.

**Reducing past to a binary**

In *Ram Setu*, the writers make a clear push for considering literary texts as historical evidence. Some of the arguments do sound compelling but the moment you reduce the past to a binary, you tend to stifle the imagination of the next writer. So, in *Adipurush*, when the audience finds Hanuman's portrayal different from what they have read in Hanuman Chalisa and watched in Ramanand Sagar's version, they feel offended.

At the same time, those who know the Marvel universe better than Hindu mythology and are finding faults with the special effects of *Adipurush* should appreciate that technology is just one aspect of storytelling. From the outside, the *Ramleela* that plays out at New Delhi's Shri Ram Bharatiya Kala Kendra seems technically much superior to the traditional *Ramnagar Ki Ramleela* in Kashi, enacted without any appendages of artificial lights and other paraphernalia. But both are equally popular and profound in their own way.

Sculptor Naresh Kumawat, who has sculpted figures of Ram, says the reference point for artists is Raja Ravi Varma's iconography of Hindu gods and goddesses that emerged in the late 19th century through calendar art. "It has been etched in the public imagination and any deviation from that hurts their sentiments."

Popular writer Amish Tripathi, who has just released his fourth book in the Ram Chandra series, says Indians have a big heart. "They are ready to see a different truth but as long as it is shown with respect." He reminds us that if you tell somebody that there is a scene in the film where someone breaks the foundation of a *shivling* and lifts it up on his shoulder and takes it to a waterfall, he could feel offended but the way Rajamouli picturised it in *Bahubali*, it didn't lead to any controversy because the director's interpretation came from a space of respect. Similarly, Ramanand Sagar took creative liberties but the audience could see that it is the work of a true devotee.

And, he adds, sometimes, the controversy is created by the makers themselves because it makes it easier to compel the media to talk about it. "Otherwise, you have to arrange a dozen interviews and three-four events."

Does this mean only a devotee could touch a mythical story? We know how the Academic Council of Delhi University had decided to drop the essay, *Three Hundred Ramayanas: Five Examples and Three Thoughts on Translations* in an apparent response to Hindutva activists who called the piece blasphemous. The essay describes 300 different retellings of the epic by communities across India and in other parts of Asia. And multiple cases were filed against an OTT series for allegedly denigrating Lord Shiva. People have found the depiction of Ravana's Pushpak vimana in *Adipurush* inaccurate, but Amish has mentioned the use of glass in Ravana's famed plane used to carry Sita to Lanka.

Amish feels glass was present in ancient India, but is not sure whether it was in use 5,000 years back. His point is the Indian audience could see through the intentions. "In some countries, people feel that there is only one truth, and if you deviate from that truth, you will burn in hell for eternity. In India, we don't have such concepts."

The response to a 106-second teaser, however, shows that some are keen on the idea of one truth. And those petitioners who miss the calm image of Ram and Hanuman have perhaps missed the *Raudra* (angry) version of the lovable Hanuman that has appeared on stickers pasted on cars and motorbikes in the last few years.

## THE DAILY QUIZ

Please send in your answers to dailyquiz@thehindu.co.in

# On November 4, 100 years ago, the tomb of Tutankhamun was revealed. A quiz on the pharaoh and the treasures that have become synonymous with ancient Egypt and its riches

**QUESTION 1**
Name the necropolis where Tomb KV62 housing Tut, the smallest in the complex, is located?

**QUESTION 2**
The teenage king's original name was not Tutankhamun but something connected to the God his parents prayed to. What is the name?

**QUESTION 3**
Which vital organ usually left inside the body during mummification is missing in the case of Tut and what is kept instead?

**QUESTION 4**
What incident on April 16, 1939, inside the Cairo museum made many pronounce was the cause of Britain to enter WWII?

**QUESTION 5**
How many coffins were used to keep the mummified body of Tut inside the sarcophagus?

**QUESTION 6**
Of the 5,398 items found from the burial, there were two daggers with one made from a material alien to Earth. What is the material?

**QUESTION 7**
What item made of gold and inlaid with lapis, obsidian, and quartz has become the iconic symbol of Egypt?

**QUESTION 8**
Connect 'Downtown Abbey' to Tut.

**Visual question:** Identify this Englishman.

**Questions (abridged) and Answers to the previous day's daily quiz:** 1. In 1947, which animal was sent to space aboard a V-2 rocket? **Ans: Fruit flies**
2. In 1970, Venera 7 soft landed on which planet? **Ans: Venus**
3. What first is attributed to 'Oumuamua' that was discovered by Robert Weryk? **Ans: First interstellar object detected passing through the solar system**
4. What distinction does the Kuiper Belt object Arrokoth have? **Ans: It is the most distant and most primitive object ever explored by a spacecraft**
5. In 2001, who paid nearly $20 million to take a rocket ride to the ISS? **Ans: Dennis Tito**
6. What connects Georgy Dobrovolsky, Vladislav Volkov, and Viktor Patsayev? **Ans: The only fatalities that have occurred while officially in outer space**
7. In 2007, what did Sunita Sharma do in space that is arduous even on terra firma? Ans: Run the Boston Marathon
Visual: Name the people walking in front of the statue and what first do they both have? **Ans: Alexei Leonov (first human to do a space walk) and Valentina Tereshkova (first woman in space)**
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## FROM THE ARCHIVES

# *Know your English*

"What are you reading, sir?"

"A nice letter from Mr. M.A. Sadanand of Madras. He says that the Prime Minister's first televised message contained an exhortation against 'murder, arson and loot'. He feels that 'looting' should have been used and not 'loot'."

"The word 'loot' is not an English word. It is from Hindi 'lut', from Sanskrit 'lotra', 'loptra', which means 'booty' or 'spoils'. In English it means illicit gains, pillage, booty. In British English, the word 'looting' is used in this context; in American English 'loot' is used. So, both are correct, 'looting' and 'loot'. In British English, 'loot' is also slang for 'money'. It has been used in this sense since 1943.

*He is not able to make half the loot he used to when he was in Bombay.*

*I do not know how he is going to spend all the lovely loot he has".*

"What's the meaning of 'own up', sir? What does it exactly mean?"

" 'Own up' means 'to admit frankly and fully a fault or crime'.

*He owned up his mistake.*

*I am surprised that no one is prepared to own up to the theft of the clock.*

*If you broke the glass, please own up."*

"How do you pronounce 'chassis', sir? What does it exactly mean?"

" 'Chassis' means 'the metal frame of any vehicle'. The body is built on it The mere skeleton is called 'chassis'. 'Chassis' is used both as singular and plural. When it is used as a singular, it is pronounced 'shasi'. The 'a' is pronounced like the 'a' in 'man' and the 'i' as in "fill". As plural, it is pronounced 'shasiz'."

"What is the meaning of 'expendable', sir?"

" 'Expend' means 'to spend', 'to use up'.

'Expendable' means 'that may be sacrificed to achieve some end'. These days it is generally used in a pejorative sense. That is, it has a bad connotation.

*He is a heartless man. He thinks I am expendable.*

*The general thought that some soldiers were expendable.*

*The Chief Minister feels that two of his ministers are expendable.*

'Expendable' is also used as a noun. We are all expendables, he said."

## Word of the day

**Inveigle:**
to influence by gentle urging, flattering

**Synonyms:**
tempt, lure, entice, convince

**Usage:**
*His daughter tried to inveigle him into giving her money for a car*

**Pronunciation:** https://bit.ly/3UjXvbt

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# CM favours public consultation on plan for Hesarghatta as conservation reserve

'Consider proposal of wildlife board, which has been urging to lay underground transmission cables in protected areas to prevent wildlife death'

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, who chaired a meeting of the Karnataka State Wildlife Board on Thursday to discuss the proposal to declare Hesarghatta as a conservation reserve, has asked stakeholders to hold public consultation before taking a final decision on the issue.

A decision to declare the grassland as a conservation reserve was expected to be taken in the meeting. However, it remained inconclusive. A board member who attended the meeting said the Chief Minister directed officials to take the opinion of the people and also take drone footage of the entire area.

Activists have been urging the government to declare the entire area of 5,000 acres of Hesarghatta grasslands, shrublands and wetlands as Greater Hesarghatta Grasslands Conservation Reserve.
FILE PHOTO

**Activists' demand**

Activists have been urging the government to declare the entire area of 5,000 acres of Hesarghatta grasslands, shrublands and wetlands as Greater Hesarghatta Grasslands Conservation Reserve. In 2021, the Forest Department had put a proposal before the State Board for Wildlife to declare the grasslands as Greater Hesarghatta Grasslands Conservation Reserve, which was rejected by the Board.

**The Chief Minister has also directed officials to take drone footage of the entire area**

However, in July the High Court directed the State Board for Wildlife to reconsider the proposal to declare the grasslands as a Conservation Reserve.

At the meeting, the Chief Minister is also said to have asked the stakeholders to consider the proposal of the board which has been urging to lay underground transmission cables in protected areas to prevent wildlife death.

"We have been suggesting to lay underground transmission cables in national parks and sanctuaries and to do away with overhead cables. The Chief Minister has asked the stakeholders such as Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation to look into this proposal," said a member.

**On Kappatagudda**

On Kappatagudda in Gadag district, he said that the board has submitted a memorandum to the Chief Minister and apprised him of rampant mining and stone quarrying activities in the region. Mining and stone quarrying companies have been seeking proposals to carry out their activities in the region. "We did a spot visit to Kappatagudda and saw that there are at least 10-15 crushers and operational units, work materials and also that electricity supply. The Chief Minister is also aware of these activities and said that he is inclined to protect this eco sensitive zone," he said.

# BMTC to reintroduce double-decker buses

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

The Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) has invited an expression of interest for procuring double-decker electric buses and leasing 100 mini non-AC buses.

The BMTC has plans to induct 10 AC double-decker electric buses using the fund under National Clean Air Programme and Directorate of Urban Land Transport (DULT). Mini buses will be operated as feeder services and areas where the roads are narrow. Double-decker buses are likely to be operated on Outer Ring Road (ORR) and CBD areas.

IT Director of the BMTC A.V Surya Sen said, "We are planning to reintroduce double-decker bus service after a long time. There is a need to understand the market. We will float the tender for procurement by the end of November."

The double-decker buses will have a length of 9 to 9.5 metre and 5 metre height.

The bus will have a carrying capacity of 90 people. The mini buses that are going to be leased will have a length of 6 to 7 metre with seating capacity for 20 passengers.

**BSVI buses**

The BMTC recently floated a tender for procuring 840 BSVI buses.

When asked why the corporation is procuring diesel buses after leasing electric buses under Smart City project and FAME 2, the official said, "Operation of electric buses requires huge infrastructure and the technology is new. Barring this, there is a need to replace old diesel buses. The BMTC has already scrapped 300 vehicles and 1,500 need to be scrapped by next year. New buses will replace the old vehicles. The State government is supporting the BMTC for procurement of these buses."

# Biker run over by BMTC bus while negotiating rumble strips

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

A 24-year-old motorist died after being run over by a BMTC bus while he was negotiating a rumble strip in Chowdeshwarinagar on Outer Ring Road on Wednesday.

The deceased, Pramod Kumar, was an electrical supervisor. He was returning home at Laggere on his two-wheeler after work when the accident occurred around 10 p.m. The bus was going from Summanahalli towards Laggere

According to the police, Pramod had slowed down to negotiate the rumble strip when the BMTC bus, coming from behind, knocked him down before running over him.

Pramod was pulled out from under the bus and rushed to K.C. General hospital, where he was declared as brought dead.

The Kamakshipalya traffic police seized the bus and arrested the driver, Hasim Sab, 44, for death due to negligence.

# Day 1: Nearly 1.6 lakh visitors throng Krishi Mela

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

The four-day Krishi Mela of the Uiversity of Agricultural Sciences-Bengaluru got off to an encouraging start on Thursday with an estimated 1.6 lakh people thronging the venue despite rains. The total transaction from all the stalls on the first day is estimated to be around ₹1.12 crore.

Visitors at the Krishi Mela at Gandhi Krishi Vignan Kendra in Bengaluru on Thursday. SUDHAKARA JAIN

While the rains in the last few days had turned the mela ground slushy, the fresh spell of rains on Thursday added to the woes. But that did not deter the enthusiasm of visitors. Hundreds thronged the stalls and demonstration plots to know about emerging trends in agriculture. There was a traffic jam on roads leading to GKVK, where Krishi Mela is being organised, as mela-bound vehicles got piled up. This year's mela is showcasing about 800 stalls on various farm-related activities The mela was inaugurated by Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot along with Agriculture Minister B.C. Patil in the presence of university's scientists and staff, including Vice-Chancellor S.V. Suresh and Extension Director K. Narayana Gowda. The Governor released nine new crop varieties that have been brought out by the university.

Speaking on the occasion, the Agriculture Minister called upon farmers to take up integrated farming as multiple crops would go a long way in providing economic stability to farmers. Hailing farmers of Kolar district for adopting the system of integrated farming, he said other farmers should emulate the example Kolar farmers who have managed to thrive despite adverse environmental conditions.

# The inspiring life of a woman farmer

**B.S. Satish Kumar**
BENGALURU

M. Kavitha, a woman farmer from Holenarsipur taluk, through direct marketing and value addition, has managed to not only double her revenue but also pay a salary of ₹35,000 per month to her graduate son to manage her farm.

Ms. Kavitha's experiments with agriculture began after she was married. Her husband was working elsewhere, though the family had nine acres of land including four acres of rocky land.

She convinced her husband to quit his job and take up farming.

"I tried to prepare the rocky area for farming for nearly five years by raising loans. I managed to grow sugarcane, but the sugar factory itself shut when the crop was about to be harvested," she recounts.

This devastated her, but she remembered her father's advise that mother earth does not let anyone who trust her.

> I started raring country chicken. While others sell chicken at ₹450 a kg, I get ₹900 a kg as I value add by preparing chicken dishes and selling them to hotels and factory staff twice a week.
>
> **M. KAVITHA**
> A farmer from Holenarsipur taluk

"So I decided to give one more try and bought a jersy cow by raising loans. Within three years, the number of milking cows increased to 10 and I was able to get nearly 200 litres of milk a day for some time," she noted. Her financial position slowly improved.

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She makes value addition to her agri produce by preparing papads, pickles and ragi malt.

"I sell these products at weekly shandies directly to consumers so that I get remunerative prices," she said. Ms. Kavitha, who is cultivating banana on four acres, is also selling the produce through direct marketing.

She has managed to convince her son, who was working in city for a salary of ₹20,000, to farming. "I pay him ₹35,000 a month for assisting me in farming," she said.

Ms. Kavitha was on Thursday honoured at the University of Agricultural Sciences-Bengaluru's Krishi Mela with the Canara Bank State-level best woman farmer award.

**Other awardees**

C. Navikram of Lakshmidevipura of Doddaballapur taluk, who was honoured with Dr. M.H. Mari Gowda best State-level horticulture farmer award, and C.P. Krishna of Goluru Doddi in Maddur taluk, who was honoured with Canara Bank best farmer award, at the UAS-B's Krishi Mela have also demonstrated the positive impact of direct marketing on farmers' economy.

Mr. Krishna earns over ₹1 lakh an acre from sugarcane cultivation as he makes jaggery and sells it directly to farmers.

# 1,001 schools don't have separate toilets for girl students: Report

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

As many as 1,001 schools in Karnataka, including 943 government, 10 aided and 48 private schools, do not have separate toilets for girl students, revealed the 'Unified District Information System for Education Plus (UDISE+) 2021-22' report. Among 75,919 girls' schools, a total of 1,570 have non-functional toilets, it said.

The report, which was released by the Education Ministry on October 3, Thursday, says there are no toilets in 328 schools.

Karnataka has a total of 76,450 schools, including 49,679 government, 7,110 aided, 19,650 private and 11 other schools. Of these, 49,375 government, 7,109 aided, 19,627 private schools have toilets. Among these, 843 schools have non-functional toilets.

Among 74,925 schools, 2,628 schools don't have separate toilets for boys and a total of 3,522 schools toilets are non-functional.

**Electricity**

There is no electricity in 714 schools and 220 schools don't have drinking water facility. Including 6,123 government, 521 aided and 1,508 private, a total of 8,153 schools don't have hand wash facility. As many as 22,616 schools don't have ramps for children with special needs.

Karnataka also did not fare well in health checkup. As many as 12,442 schools did not conduct medical checkups in the last academic year. Despite being the silicon hub of the country, there is no computer facility in 33,308 schools and only 22,590 have internet facility, said the report.

Meanwhile, the Gross Enrolment Ratio in higher secondary schools has improved from 53.8% to 57.6% in 2021-22, compared to previous academic year.

# Two Tamil plays to be staged on Sunday

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

Crazy Creations, Chennai, will on Sunday, present two Tamil plays - *Marriage Made in Saloon* (825th show) and *Chocolate Krishna* (1,028th show) at Krishnadevaraya Kala Mandira, Sankey Road, Gayathri Devi Park Extension, behind Chowdiah Memorial Hall, Vyalikaval, Malleswaram.

**Tickets**

It will be held at 4 p.m. and 6.45 p.m., respectively. Tickets for the plays are available on bookmyshow and at the venue.

# Man who severed palm of another in drunken brawl held

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

The police have cracked the case of a man's left palm being severed in a drunken brawl four days ago and arrested the prime accused, a rowdy-sheeter named Harish, hailing from Laggere.

On the night of October 28, Prajwal, 24, a resident of Moodalapalya, had been to a bar in Nandini Layout with his friends. He had a tiff with Harish and his gang sitting at the adjacent table over a trivial issue. The two gangs were separated by the bar employees and sent out. However, the two gangs continued their fight outside the bar and Harish assaulted Prajwal with lethal weapons, severing his left palm.

The police searched for his severed palm to restitch it. However, a stray dog is suspected to have taken it away. The police are now on the lookout for three other associates of Hairsh, also involved in the assault.

**Timings**
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| RISE | 15:11 | SET 02:29 |
| **SATURDAY, NOV. 05** | | |
| RISE | 06:14 | SET 17:52 |
| RISE | 15:50 | SET 03:23 |
| **SUNDAY, NOV. 06** | | |
| RISE | 06:15 | SET 17:52 |
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**Bengaluru Tomorrow**
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## INBRIEF

### Muddahanume Gowda, former IAS officer join BJP

Former Tumakuru MP and Congress leader Muddahanume Gowda, former MP and actor Shashikumar, and retired IAS officer B.H. Anil Kumar joined the BJP on Thursday at a programme attended by Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and State BJP president Nalin Kumar Kateel. Mr. Gowda, who gave up his seat for JD(S) supremo H.D. Deve Gowda (who eventually lost) in the 2019 parliamentary election, has been a disgruntled Congress man since then. He chose to quit the Congress after he was not assured of the party ticket for the constituency of his choice in the 2023 elections. Mr. Anil Kumar is planning to contest from the Koratagere reserved constituency against Congress leader and former Deputy Chief Minister G. Parameshwara.

# Renukacharya's nephew, who was missing since October 30, found dead

M.R. Chandrashekhar's decomposed body was in the vehicle that was found in the upper Tunga canal; Honnali MLA alleges that it was a 'planned murder'

**The Hindu Bureau**
HUBBALLI

M.R. Chandrashekhar

The missing case of the nephew of Chief Minister's Parliamentary Secretary and Honnali MLA M.P. Renukacharya took a tragic turn on Thursday, with the multi-utility vehicle of M.R. Chandrashekhar being found in a canal with his decomposed body in it.

Mr. Chandrashekhar, the son of Mr. Renukacharya's brother M.R. Ramesh, had gone missing from Honnali in Davangere district on October 30. A distraught Mr. Renukacharya had made fervent appeal to the police and administration to trace his nephew.

Mr. Renukacharya alleged that death was a "planned murder". He ruled out that his nephew would have ended his life. Earlier, Mr. Ramesh had suspected that his son may have been kidnapped.

The hunt launched by the police had not yielded any result and the police had taken Kiran, one of the friends of Mr. Chandrashekhar, into custody for inquiry on Wednesday.

On Thursday, following a tip-off, the police launched a search in the Upper Tunga canal near Soratur located between Honnali and Nyamati. After expert swimmers found the vehicle in the water, the Fire and Emergency Services personnel lifted it out using a crane. They found the decomposed body of Mr. Chandrashekhar in the vehicle.

Senior police officials led by Superintendent of Police C.B. Ryshyanth supervised the entire operation. As the news spread, a large crowd gathered at the spot. As a precautionary measure, an elaborate *bandobast* has been made and a huge posse of police personnel has been deployed in Honnali.

# Robust beer sales drive excise revenue up by 16% in State

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

Riding on a nearly 60% increase in the sale of beer, excise revenue in the first half of the current financial year has increased by almost 16% over the corresponding period of the last year.

**Target**

While ₹14,615 crore had been collected between April and October 2021, the excise revenue increased to ₹16,948 crore this year, reporting an increase by 15.97%. A target of ₹29,000 crore has been set for the department during 2022-23 and the half-yearly collection is about 58.44% of the annual target.

The sale of beer in Karnataka increased by 80.07 lakh boxes to take the total sale to 214.28 lakh boxes as against 134.21 lakh boxes sold in 2021.

According to figures provided by the Excise Department on Thursday, a total of 397.43 lakh boxes of IML were sold between April and October this year as against 369.21 lakh boxes sold in the corresponding period last year, an increase by about 28.22 lakh boxes or 7.64%.

Explaining a huge jump in the sale of beer this year over the previous year, an industry source, said the sale of liquor had dropped during May and June due to the deadly second wave of COVID-19.

"However, in most months the beer sale this year has been robust."

# Cabinet clears special investment zone Bill

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

The State government on Thursday cleared the Karnataka Special Investment Zone Bill that seeks to establish special investment zones in Tumakuru and Dharwad districts, while a special investment zone authority will be set up to establish and manage the zone.

"To begin with, the special investment zones will be set up in Tumakuru and Dharwad and the authority will function wherever the investment area is identified. It will be responsible for land acquisition and revenue collection," Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister J.C. Madhuswamy told presspersons here after the Cabinet meeting. He said that 30% of the tax collected in the zone would be remitted to local bodies.

To a question whether the Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB) will be abolished to pave the way for the authority, he said, "The KIADB will monitor the authority initially. It will not be abolished. The authority will help establish industries and it will be almost like a single-window agency for local approvals."

**Tracking devices**

The Minister said that to install location tracking devices and emergency panic buttons in vehicles, the Cabinet cleared ₹20.36 crore under a Central scheme where the Centre would foot 60% of the cost. The project seeks to monitor public vehicles to ensure the safety of passengers, especially women and children, and prevent accidents by monitoring speed on national and State highways. The system would be implemented in 6.18 lakh public transport buses, cabs, maxi cabs, and buses, among others, he added.

The Cabinet also decided to scarp the tender awarded to construct Ballari airport since work had not taken off yet. Mr. Madhuswamy said it was decided to develop Ballari airport on PPP basis under BOT in 2008 while the Cabinet had given the nod in 2010.

"Now the airport will be developed through funds from the Karnataka Mining Environment Corporation." The Cabinet also decided to scarp the tender called to develop fruit and vegetable market at Byatarayanapura in Bengaluru as work has not progressed since it was awarded in 2011. "In both cases, we have decided to levy penalty and initiate prosecution."

**Elevated corridor**

The Cabinet cleared the acquisition of land for extension of the elevated corridor at Varthur here from 1.3 km to 1.9 km and width to be extended from 18 m to 30 m. "The total cost of the project is ₹2,095 crore," he said.

# Karnataka to soon be flag bearer of renewable energy sector: Panel

GIM 2022

**Mini Tejaswi**
BENGALURU

Karnataka will soon be the flag bearer of the country's renewable energy sector as it is already the single largest ethanol production hub in Asia, opined an expert panel on energy spoke at Global Investors' Meet in Bengaluru on Thursday.

The country has the mandate to meet 50% of its energy requirements through renewable sources, which is around 20% currently, by 2030. To achieve this ambitious target, policymakers and industry players should get into quick action and also encourage entrepreneurs and farmers to take up ventures around renewable energy, they said.

**Attracting customers:** People visiting a stall at Global Investors' Meet in Bengaluru. K. MURALI KUMAR

The panel deliberated around the theme 'Reinventing the energy ecosystem: Future of energy generation in the world' and felt Karnataka has all the prerequisites to emerge as the flag bearer of the country's renewable energy sector.

India should become a net exporter of energy by producing cheap green nitrogen, hydrogen, and also other alternative renewable energy sources, said G. Kumar Naik, Additional Chief Secretary, Energy Department, Government of Karnataka. "We have to work quickly to reach the goal. By 2030, 50% of India's energy requirement should be met through renewable sources. Today, some 85% of the oil burnt and 50% of the gas consumed in our country are imported. We have to become a net exporter of energy," he added. Vijay M. Nirani, managing director of MRN Group, one of the largest producers of sugar, said Karnataka was already leading the nation in the renewable energy sector and it was also the largest ethanol production hub in Asia.

According to Mr. Nirani, farmers, especially sugarcane farmers, today are suffering a lot as farming has increasingly become non-profitable and remunerative. "But they should realise, it is not just sugar, there are several byproducts of sugarcane, including ethanol which is produced from molasses," added Mr. Nirani.

N. Venu, MD & CEO - India and South Asia, Hitachi Energy, said, "We now have to catch up speed to accelerate the growth of renewable sector."

# BBMP administrator to meet with ORR firms

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

To address the grievances of companies and residents located on the Outer Ring Road (ORR) here, BBMP administrator Rakesh Singh will soon hold a meeting and examine the situation, said C.N. Ashwath Narayan, Minister for IT/BT.

After a meeting with representatives of the Outer Ring Road Companies Association and a few other associations, Dr. Ashwath Narayan called on the companies to come to a decision on spending CSR fund for infrastructure development on the ORR.

# One-time age relaxation for constable post aspirants

**The Hindu Bureau**
BENGALURU

Amid demand for relaxing the recruitment age for constable posts, the Karnataka government on Thursday announced a one-time age relaxation that will be applicable for the recruitment process to be held in 2022-2023. It also extended the last date to submit applications to enable candidates to participate in the selection process.

The order announcing the age relaxation cited the COVID-19 pandemic period when recruitment to the posts of constable could not take place and several memorandum received by the government by the candidates seeking age relaxation by two years. Candidates who had crossed the age limit had complained that they would be missing out of the recruitment process due to no fault of theirs as the government had not conducted recruitment drive in two years owing to COVID-19.

The order said that the age relaxation would be applicable to the process of recruiting 3,484 police constables in the Central Armed Reserve and District Armed Reserve, and 1,591 police constable (civil).

## OBITUARY & REMEMBRANCE

### DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

*In Memoriam*

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DR. ROHINI CHIDAMBARAM KRISHNAN
GP. CAPT RAJESH CHIDAMBARAM (RETD)

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BDA invites short-term tender for **"Annual Maintenance of electrical distribution system & accessories at Banashankari 6th Stage 1 to 11th Block including F.E. 4th H, 4th B & 4th T for the year of 2022-23.**

**Calender of Events:- (1)** Period of Submitting the tender document from: **04.11.2022. (2)** Last date and time for submission of the bid along with necessary documents: **19.11.2022, 17.00 Hrs. (3)** Date and time for opening of Technical & Financial bid: **22.11.2022, 17.00 Hrs.**

For more details: Please refer e-Procurement portal from the website: **http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or contact at office of the Executive Engineer (Elec), BDA, T.Chowdaiah Road, Kumarapark West, Bengaluru. Contact No.: + 91 9845630164. For queries contact email id: **eeelec.bda@gmail.com**

BDA/PRO/TN/21/2022-23 **Sd/- Executive Engineer (Ele.)**

**Executive Engineer,**
**Public Works Department,**
**Kolar Division, Kolar-563101**
e-mail : eepwdkolar07@gmail.com, website: www.kpwd.gov.in
e-portal : http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in
Phone No. 08152-222022, Fax No.: 08152-227443

**e-Tender Notification-K.W-3&4**
**Short-Term Re-Tender Notification**
**No.17/2022-23 Dt:31.10.2022**

**Ref: 1. Short-Term Tender Notification No.14/2022-23 Dt. 23.09.2022**

Re-Tender is invited through e-Procurement for the road work in the limits of Kolar & Srinivasapur Taluk, Kolar District Public Works Department from the Registered Contractors under **H/A: 5054-MDR improvements & 5054-MDR Bridges.** Amount put to tender: **Min: Rs.90.00 Lakhs Max: Rs. 325.00 Lakhs.** EMD Amount: **Min: Rs.1.80 Lakhs Max: Rs. 4.88 Lakhs.** Period for completion of work: **6-11 months.** Contractors may download the tender documents KW-3&4 from Karnataka State e-Procurement portal **(viz.,http://eproc. karnataka.gov.in).** Filled in tenders shall be uploaded on or before: **4.00 p.m. on 15.11.2022** through Karnataka State e-Procurement portal. Tender received will be opened after: **4.30 p.m. on 16.11.2022** in e-Procurement. Further details regarding the works and also for details about this tender notification please contact e-Procurement portal and also you may contact this office during working hours.

**Note: Any changes in this Notification will be published in e-portal only.**

**Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD, Kolar Division, kolar**

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*GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA*
**Zilla Panchayath, Ballari.**
**Office of Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Division, Ballari.**

**No.: EE/RDWS&SD/B/JE-1/JJM/Tender.Nofi-No-7/2022-23/1507 Dated: 02.11.2022**

**E-tender Notification** (KTTP Act 2000)

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Division, Ballari hereby calls the e-tender for execution of Retrofitting works for **Providing pipeline and FHTC's in Rural habitations works of Ballari, Siruguppa and Kampli Taluks** sanctioned under Jal Jeevan Mission head, respectively through e-procurement for bidders who are Registered by Public work department. The information regarding tenders will be made available in **(www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in)** website & Tender document download date **03.11.2022,** The last date to receive the tender from eligible bidders is at 4.00pm on **17.11.2022** Date of opening of Technical Bid is at 5.00pm on **18.11.2022** and Pre-bid meeting is held at Office of the Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Ballari, Above SBI Bank, Sudha Cross, Cantonment on **10.11.2022** For further more information contact above said Office.

**Sd/- Executive Engineer, RDW & S Division, Ballari.**
**DIPR/Ballari/606/MCA/2022-23**

**KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED**
**(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)**

**No:SEE/Tr(M)/RMG/EE/AE-1/F-35/22-23/3212-15 Date:02.11.2022**

**TENDER NOTIFICATION**
**(Through e-procurement mode only)**

KPTCL invites bid against bid enq. No. **KPTCL/SEE/TR(M)/RMGC/EE(O)/AEE-1/ REP BREAKER AND BUS ISOLATOR/EPR-339/Call-2 Dtd:02.11.2022** for Combined package for the following works:

**1)** Replacement of old 66 kV Shimsha and Somanahalli-1 breakers at 220kV R/S T K Halli.

**2)** Providing 66kV Bus Isolator for 66kV Bus at 66/11kV Iggaluru Substation in Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagar District, TL&SS Division TK Halli, Transmission Maintenance circle Ramanagar, Transmission Zone Bengaluru, on TOTAL TURN KEY BASIS.

Amount put to tender **Rs.34,51,230/-** and EMD amount **Rs.34,512/-** The bid will be received through e-procurement mode only. The detailed notification regarding the enquiry can be obtained by logging onto KPTCL website **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink 'e-Procurement-KPTCL' or to **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in on or after 04.11.2022, 16:30hrs.** Other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

**Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Electy), Transmission(Maint.),**
Ramanagara Circle,KPTCL 220/66/11Kv Vrushabhavathi Valley Station
1st Floor, Near R.R. Nagar Arch,Mysuru Road, Bengaluru-26, Tel.:080-29620155.

**IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE IV ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL, BANGALORE**
COURT HALL No.21
O.S. No.26357/2022

*PLAINTIFFS:*
N.ABDUL KHALIQUE
*-:Versus:-*
*DEFENDANTS :*
**M/S TRANSTREASURE SERVICES PVT. LTD.** a company incorporated and registered under the provisions of Companies Act, 2013 having its registered Office at Sharda Terraces, 8th Floor, Section-11, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai-400 614 through its Authorised Signatory **Mr Lawkesh Jain**

**SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT**

**WHEREAS** the above named Plaintiff has instituted the above suit seeking a direction for the immediate eviction of the Defendant from the suit Schedule Property by way of a mandatory injunction.

You are hereby summoned to appear in this Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed on the **8th day of December, 2022** at 11:00 am in the forenoon to answer the same failing which the suit will disposed of *ex parte*.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court this the 29th day of October, 2022.

**ADVOCATES FOR PLAINTIFF**
Messrs Rego & Rego
N-509, Manipal Centre,
#47/73, Dickenson Road,
**Bangalore-560 042.**

By Order of the Court
Sd/-
Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court
Mayo hall Unit, Bangalore

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given that my client Mr. R. Solomon Suresh has lost an original document of his property bearing sale Deed No: 2283/1982 dt. 30/6/1982 registered in the office of SRO, Neelangarai, pertaining to the property captioned below. Any person/party in possession of the afore said document is requested to hand over the same to the undersigned immediately. In case, any person/party having any right, title, interest, claim, objection or demand of any nature whatsoever in respect of the property contained herein, is hereby required to make the same known in writing along with the documentary proof thereof, to the undersigned within fifteen days from the date of publication hereof, failing which any reference to such claims and the claims if any, shall be deemed to have been given up or waived and thereafter no claims/objections/ disputes will be entertained.**

**Schedule of Property**

**Plot no. 312, measuring an extent of 2400 sq.ft in VGP Golden Beach Uthandi Layout (approved vide L.P.(M.M)No.27/75) contained in Survey No: 2/2B1 Part, Uthandi Village, Tambaram Taluk, Kancheepuram District.**

**Place: Chennai**
**Date: 02/11/2022**

**P. Manoghar Selvam,** B.E.,M.B.A.,D.B.F.,M.L., **Advocate**
**No: 5/3, Ganapathy Colony 2 nd st, Gopalapuram, Chennai-600086.**
**Ph: 89392 29299/044 28355599**
**Mail: rrlawpartners24@gmail.com**

# RISAT-2 satellite makes re-entry into Earth's atmosphere

**Hemanth C.S.**
BENGALURU

ISRO's RISAT-2 satellite, launched in 2009, has made an uncontrolled re-entry into the Earth's atmosphere.

The space agency on Thursday said the RISAT-2 satellite, weighing about 300 kg, made an uncontrolled re-entry in the Indian Ocean near Jakarta on October 30.

"Weighing only about 300 kg, the satellite has now made an uncontrolled re-entry into the Earth's atmosphere at the predicted impact point in the Indian Ocean near Jakarta on 30th October 2022 00:06 UTC with an uncertainty of ±10 minutes," the space agency said.

RISAT-2 was launched by the PSLV-C12 launch vehicle 13 years ago.

ISRO said that though the initial designed life of the satellite was four years, due to proper maintenance of orbit and mission planning by the spacecraft operations team in ISRO and by economical usage of fuel, RISAT-2 provided very useful payload data for 13 years.

"Since its injection, RISAT-2's radar payload services were provided for various space applications. On re-entry, there were no fuel left in the satellite and hence there are no contaminations or explosion by fuel is expected. Studies confirmed that the pieces generated due to aero-thermal fragmentation would not have survived re-entry heating and hence no fragments would have impacted on Earth," ISRO said.

The orbital data available from USSPACECOM were regularly used to predict the re-entry time and impact.

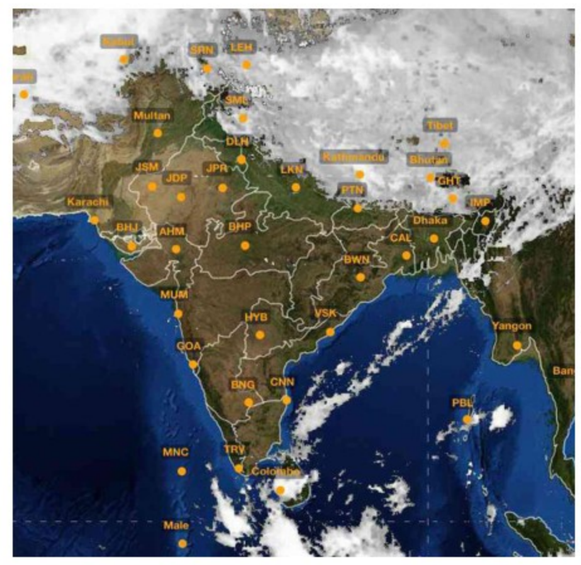
**Being monitored**

It further said the Indian System for Safe and Sustainable Space Operations Management (IS4OM) facility in ISTRAC, Bengaluru, had been monitoring the re-entry for the last one month with analysis carried out by VSSC and ISTRAC teams through its in-house developed analysis software and tracking the object utilising Multi Object Tracking Radar (MOTR) at SDSC, Sriharikota.

"MOTR tracked RISAT-2 regularly and the data were used for further analysis and orbit determination," ISRO said.

## WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday




TEMPERATURE DATA: IMD, POLLUTION DATA: CPCB, MAP: INSAT/IMD (TAKEN AT 18.00 HRS)

**Forecast for Friday:** Heavy to very heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over south Tamil Nadu and south Kerala. Thunderstorm accompanied with lightning likely at isolated places over coastal Andhra Pradesh, Yanam, Rayalaseema, coastal & south interior Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Karaikal, Kerala and Mahe

| CITY | RAIN | MAX | MIN | CITY | RAIN | MAX | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Agartala | — | 29.3 | 23.4 | Kozhikode | 0.5 | 34.6 | 24.4 |
| Ahmedabad | — | 36.2 | 18.8 | Kurnool | — | 33.5 | 24.2 |
| Aizawl | — | — | 17.5 | Lucknow | — | 30.6 | 17.4 |
| Allahabad | — | 33.5 | 17.4 | Madurai | 63 | 29.2 | 23.4 |
| Bengaluru | 3.4 | 26.0 | 19.6 | Mangaluru | 2 | 33.0 | 24.0 |
| Bhopal | — | 32.0 | 15.5 | Mumbai | — | 34.9 | 20.2 |
| Bhubaneswar | — | 30.2 | 22.8 | Mysuru | 2 | 29.0 | 20.2 |
| Chandigarh | — | 30.2 | 15.8 | New Delhi | — | 31.0 | 15.8 |
| Chennai | 29 | 29.5 | 23.6 | Patna | — | 30.6 | 17.6 |
| Coimbatore | 11 | 29.2 | 21.6 | Port Blair | — | 30.6 | 23.7 |
| Dehradun | — | 27.8 | 14.6 | Puducherry | 26.8 | 25.4 | 20.5 |
| Gangtok | — | 19.4 | 10.0 | Pune | — | 31.9 | 15.3 |
| Goa | — | 33.0 | 23.8 | Raipur | — | 32.0 | 18.0 |
| Guwahati | — | 31.3 | 21.3 | Ranchi | — | 28.2 | 15.4 |
| Hubballi | — | 30.0 | 20.0 | Shillong | 0.5 | 21.4 | 12.4 |
| Hyderabad | — | 30.7 | 17.8 | Shimla | — | 19.9 | 12.0 |
| Imphal | — | 27.7 | 13.6 | Srinagar | — | 19.2 | 5.6 |
| Jaipur | — | 33.6 | 19.2 | Thiruvananthapuram | 6 | 31.2 | 24.1 |
| Kochi | 24 | 30.0 | 23.4 | Tiruchi | 0.6 | 28.1 | 22.6 |
| Kohima | — | 24.4 | 10.4 | Vijayawada | — | 30.4 | 24.6 |
| Kolkata | — | 30.0 | 22.1 | Visakhapatnam | — | 32.2 | 26.0 |

*(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)*

**Pollutants in the air you are breathing**

| CITIES | $SO_2$ | $NO_2$ | CO | PM2.5 | PM10 | CODE |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ahmedabad | .53 | 135 | ...9 | ...135 | ...161 | |
| Bengaluru | .11 | ..31 | .65 | .....26 | ....45 | |
| Chennai | .11 | ..40 | 114 | .....62 | ....51 | |
| Delhi | .24 | 114 | .88 | ...480 | ...474 | |
| Hyderabad | ...3 | ..36 | .44 | ...173 | ...143 | |
| Kolkata | .25 | ..58 | .30 | .....96 | ...116 | |
| Lucknow | .17 | ..82 | .90 | ...325 | ...255 | |
| Mumbai | ...4 | 101 | .56 | ...217 | ...101 | |
| Pune | ..— | ..19 | .41 | .....— | .....— | .....— |
| Visakhapatnam | .28 | ..29 | .63 | .....81 | ....88 | |

**Yesterday**

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Charkhi Dadri, Haryana recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 460 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast, Shillong, Meghalaya recorded a healthy AQI score of 23

**Air Quality Code:** Poor Moderate Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

**$SO_2$:** Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

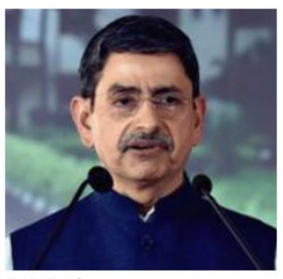
**$NO_2$:** Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

**CO:** Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

**PM2.5 & PM10:** Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

# DMK MPs sign plea seeking to recall T.N. Governor Ravi

**The Hindu Bureau**
CHENNAI


R.N. Ravi

Many members of the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha belonging to the ruling DMK-led Secular Progressive alliance on Thursday signed a memorandum to be submitted to the President of India seeking removal of Tamil Nadu Governor R.N. Ravi.

"DMK and its allies account for 50 MPs in Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha and we have obtained signatures from 43 of them. Others will sign before meeting the President in Delhi," said senior leader T.K.S Elangovan, who has been collecting signatures from the MPs.

On Thursday, CPI(M) MPs P.R. Natarajan and Su. Venkatesan visited Anna Arivalayam, the headquarters of the DMK, and signed the memorandum. "A few MPs are not available in the city and they will sign it soon," Mr. Elangovan said. MDMK general secretary Vaiko, who is a Rajya Sabha member, also signed it.

Congress MPs P. Chidambaram, Dr. A. Chellakumar, Jothimani, Karti Chidambaram and Manickam Tagore, DMK MPs Dayanidhi Maran and Dr. Senthil Kumar and CPI MP P.K. Subbrarayan are yet to sign the memorandum as they are not in town.

The DMK has collected signatures only from the MPs of Tamil Nadu.

# Kerala Governor cites 2020 gold case to hit back at CM

Arif Mohammed Khan accuses Pinarayi Vijayan of patronising smuggling activities; bases his latest charge on the recently published memoirs of gold smuggling case accused Swapna Suresh

**The Hindu Bureau**
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Kerala Governor Arif Mohammed Khan has dredged up the 2020 UAE diplomatic baggage gold smuggling case and weaponised it against Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan's Office (CMO).

Unmistakably upping the ante in the Raj Bhavan's tussle with the government, Mr. Khan told journalists in New Delhi on Thursday: "I have not interfered in governance. But now, when I see all the smuggling activities are patronised by the Chief Minister and persons close to him are involved in smuggling activities, I have the ground to interfere".

Mr. Khan seemed to base his latest charge on the recently published memoirs of gold case accused Swapna Suresh. He said the book was replete with sordid details involving the past administration. He refrained from mentioning the author's name or the book's title.

> I have not interfered in governance. But when I see persons close to CM are involved in the smuggling activities, I have the ground to interfere
>
> **ARIF MOHAMMED KHAN**
> Kerala Governor

Mr. Khan alleged that Mr. Vijayan lorded over a "regime of fear in Kerala" and that even journalists feared the latter. He claimed he would resign if Mr. Vijayan proved that he did the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh's bidding.

The Governor's statements drew a sharp response from CPI(M) State secretary M.V. Govindan. He said Mr. Khan, who appeared to rely on the lies floated by a discredited economic offender, did not deserve a reply. CPI State secretary Kanam Rajendran echoed a similar sentiment. KPCC president K. Sudhakaran dared Mr. Khan to revive the moribund gold case probe against the CMO.

## V-Cs get time till Nov. 7 to respond to Khan's notice

**The Hindu Bureau**
KOCHI

The Kerala High Court on Thursday extended till 5 p.m. on November 7 the time granted for the Vice-Chancellors of eight universities in the State to reply to the show-cause notice issued to them by Governor Arif Mohammed Khan asking why their appointment should not be declared void ab Initio in view of a recent Supreme Court judgment regarding the appointment of the V-C of APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University.

**KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED**
( A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
**Office of the Executive Engineer,**
**KNNL, Dandavathi Reservoir Project Division,**
**Shikaripura .Ph:08187-222206**

**Short Term Tender Notification-29/2022-23 Date: 31-10-2022(Call-2)**
**Ref: Tender Notification- 20/2022-23 Date: 07-09-2022**
**(Two document System & E-Procurement System only)**

Short term percentage tender are invited as per K.T.P.P Act 2000 on behalf of Managing Director KNNL Bangalore from eligible contractors such as KPWD Class- II/III & above (For Class-III bidders registration certificate issued by KPWD Shivamogga Circle should be uploaded).

**Development of Akka Mahadevi Memorial at Uduthadi Works for Amount put to tender Rs. 212.49 lakhs to Rs. 85.77 lakhs and EMD Rs. 2.13 lakhs to Rs.0.86 lakhs.**

(1) Date of Pre bid meeting: **07-11-2022 @11.00AM.(Olo Executive Engineer, KNNL, DRP Division Shikaripura)** (2) Date of downloading & submission of tender through e-procurement will be on **02-11-2022 to 09-11-2022 up to 4.00 PM** (3) Opening of technical bid will be **on 10-11-2022 @ 5.00 PM (4) Financial bid will be opened after approval of technical bid.**

For more details visit website from date-**02-11-2022** at **(http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in).**

DIPR/SMG/No.25-11 zenkar/2022-23

**Sd/- Executive Engineer,**
**KNNL, DRP Division, Shikaripura**

**CAUVERY NEERAVARI NIGAMA LIMITED**
(A Govt. of Karnataka Enterprises)
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
Manchanabele Project Division Ramanagara - 562 159.
Phone : 080 - 2727 1259. E-mail : eempdrmgm@gmail.com

**Corrigendum No.: 01/2022-23. Date : 31-10-2022**
**(Through E-Procurement Portal Only)**
**www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

The Work invited in **Tender Notification No. : 04/2022-23, Dated : 29-09-2022** by the **Executive Engineer, Manchanabele Project Division, Ramamagara District** on behalf of the **Managing Director CNNL Mysore** for eligible bidders due to Technical reason **Sl. No. 01 to 04 and 07** has been postponed.

**The Last Date for Tender Submission as on 23-11-2022 at 4.00 p.m. Opening of Technical Bid on : 24-11-2022 at 4.30 p.m. and Financial Bid Opening on : 28-11-2022 at 11.00 a.m. Pre-Bid Meeting Date : 18-11-2022 at 11.30 a.m.** for EMD and Other details please visit the above website.

DIPR/Ramanagar/311/Manipal/2022-23

**Sd/- Executive Engineer,**
**M. P. Division, Ramanagara.**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Notice** is hereby given to public at large that my client **Incred Financial Services Limited** Bangalore Branch/Office, is going to consider granting/ granted loan to **Pavana Educational Trust** against the mortgage of the property more particularly described in the schedule hereunder written ('said property') owned by **Sri Thimmanagowda.**

Any entity/ person including any Bank or Financial Institution having any right, title, benefit, interest, claim, or demand in respect of the said property or any part/s thereof and/or the said property by way of sale, transfer, exchange, lease, sub-lease, assignment, mortgage, charge, lien, inheritance, bequest, succession, gift, maintenance, easement, trust, tenancy, sub-tenancy, license, occupation, possession, possession of original title deeds, family arrangement/ settlement, decree or order of any court of law, contracts/agreements, partnership, acquisition, any writing and/or arrangement or otherwise howsoever, is/are hereby required to make the same known in writing, along with supporting documentary evidence, to the undersigned **within 10(Ten) days** from the date hereof either by hand delivery against proper written acknowledgement of the undersigned or by RPAD or through electronic mode. Falling which, the claim or claims, if any, of such entity/ or person/s will be considered to have been waived and/or abandoned and my client shall proceed to enter into the transaction.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

Land bearing old land bearing earlier Sy. No.25/2, old Sy.No.25/4 new Sy No.25/6 measuring 20 ½ guntas out of 1 acre, situated at Huralichikkanahalli Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli ,Bangalore North Taluk and bounded on by:

**East by** : Government Road; **West by :** Sy.No.25/1; **North by :** Remaining portion of same Sy.no.; **South by** : Land belonging to H.R.Vishwanath

**(P Mahalinga Bhat & Srividya P.M.)**
**P.Mahalinga Bhat and Associates**
Advocates
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Place : Bangalore
Date : 2-11-2022

**IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE 73rd ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL, BANGALORE**
COURT HALL No.74
O.S. No.26452/2020

*PLAINTIFFS:*
**1) MRS. T. SARALA DEVI,** Aged 53 years, Wife of late M. Shankar, and daughter of late R. Thangavelu, Presently residing in a portion of the Ground Floor of premises bearing No.2456, 16th "B" Main, (Near Kodihalli K.E.B. Office), H.A.L. IInd Stage, Kodihalli, Indiranagar, Bengaluru- 560038, and
**2) MR. A.S. ADHITHYAA VISHAL,** Aged 21 years, Son of late M. Shankar, Presently residing in a portion of the Ground Floor of premises bearing No.2456, 16th 'B' Main, (Near Kodihalli K.E.B. Office), H.A.L. IInd Stage, Kodihalli, Indiranagar, Bengaluru – 560 038.
-:Versus:-
*DEFENDANTS :*
**MR. M. RAJAN and Others**
**SUMMONS TO DEFENDANTS NOS. 2**

**MR. M. RAVIKUMAR,** Aged 54 years, Son of late H.B. Marian, Presently residing at No.2690, Ist Floor, (Opposite to 2nd Diagonal Road), Bengaluru – 560 075

**WHEREAS** the above named Plaintiffs have instituted the above suit for Partition and separate possession of the suit Schedule "A" and "B" Properties together with delivery of vacant possession of the aforesaid properties

**SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of house bearing H.A.S.B. Khatha No.1048, situated at New Thippasandra Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, H.A.S.B. Area, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 50 ft. North to South 40 ft., bounded:- **EAST BY :** Drainage, **WEST BY :** Private Property, **NORTH BY :** Mrs. Gangamma's Property, and **SOUTH BY :** Road.

**SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of property bearing B.D.A. residential Site No.2456, in H.A.L. IInd Stage, 16th "B" Main Road, Bangalore [Kodihalli], Mahanagara Palike Ward No.74, measuring East to West 30 Feet, and North to South 40 Feet, measuring in all 1200 Sq. Feet, together with all rights, appur-tenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on the: **EAST BY:** Site No.2457, **WEST BY:** Site No.2455, **NORTH BY:** Road, and **SOUTH BY:** Site No.2463.

You are hereby summoned to appear in this Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed on the **8th day of November, 2022** at 11:00 am in the forenoon to answer the same failing which the suit will disposed of *ex parte.*

Given under my hand and seal of the Court this the **31st day of October, 2022.**

**ADVOCATES FOR PLAINTIFF**
Messrs Rego & Rego
N-509, Manipal Centre,
#47/73, Dickenson Road,
**Bangalore-560 042.**

By Order of the Court
Sd/-
Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court
Mayo hall Unit, Bangalore

**Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited**
(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

**TENDER NOTIFICATION**
(Though e-procurement Portal only)

**No. SE(E)/Tr.(M)/BRAZ/EE/AEE-4 & 1/F-T6/2022-23/ 4185 & 4186 Date: 03.11.2022**

KPTCL invites bids for the following works.

**1.** Bid Enquiry No: **KPTCL/SEE/TR(M)/BRAZ/EE(O)/AEE-4/T9/2022-23/EPR–723 Dated: 02.11.2022** For Supply of T&P Materials for utilization at various Sub-Stations and TLM Sub-divisions conforming to our Technical Specifications, F.O.R.D at Store/site basis including all applicable GST under Transmission (Maintenance), KPTCL, BRAZ Circle, Bengaluru.

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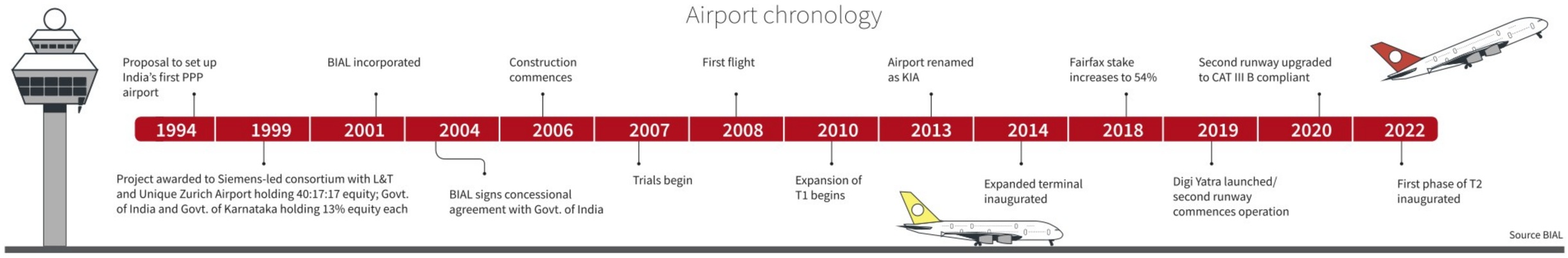



# KIA T2: Garden city's pathway to greater heights

Phase 1 of T2, covering 2,55,645 square metres, will cater to 25 million passengers per annum (MPPA), while the second phase, which is still in the planning stage, would be able to handle 20 MPPA

An artist's impression of the second terminal of Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru.

**Hemanth C.S.**
BENGALURU

The Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL), operators of the Kempegowda International Airport (KIA), have for long envisaged the airport to be what is billed "Gateway for New India" and the inauguration of the first phase of the newly built terminal 2 (T2) on November 11 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi is a small step towards realising this.

The construction of T2 began in October 2018, with BIAL planning to build it in two phases. Phase 1, covering 2,55,645 square metres, will cater to 25 million passengers per annum (MPPA), while the second phase, which is still in the planning stage, would be able to handle 20 MPPA. Once both the phases are completed T2 can handle 70 MPPA.

## Hanging garden

According to BIAL, T2 will be built on four guiding principles, terminal in a garden, sustainability, technology and innovation, and art and culture of Karnataka. Terminal in a garden will pay tribute to the garden city and T2 will have lush greenery within and outside.

"The gardens will feature distinctive plants including native specimen trees, flowering trees and shrubs. The installation of portals, water bodies, rocks, digital technology / lighting, signature plants at strategic locations will further enhance the overall experience. The big draw of terminal 2 will be its hanging garden," BIAL had said while unveiling the project.

Apart from enhancing passenger experience at the airport with the implementation of Digi Yatra – the contactless, seamless processing of passengers based on the use of single token face biometrics for verification of passengers, T2 will also showcase the rich history and culture of the State.

> KIA will overtake Mumbai very soon to become the second busiest airport.
> **DEVESH AGARWAL,** aviation expert

## Unique art forms

"The cultural diversity and unique art forms of Karnataka and South India will be showcased through the gardens, the dynamic environment and art installations. Material such as bricks, granite and inlay work will be sourced locally from Karnataka," BIAL had said.

T2 will also have a wide range of retail brands to give a wholesome retail experience to passengers. There will also be F&B outlets offering international, local and regional cuisines.

In total BIAL has invested ₹13,000 for a slew of infrastructure projects at the airport, which includes a new terminal, a second runway, expansion to the access roads and internal road projects, utilities and a new multi-modal transport hub.

Phase 1 of T2 was initially to be inaugurated by March 31, 2021. However due to the COVID-19 outbreak the completion of work was delayed.

## Need to look beyond

It has been pointed out that while phase 1 of T2 will augment the capacity of the airport by 25 million MPPA, work on phase 2 should immediately start as air travel is inching towards per-COVID levels.

Devesh Agarwal, an aviation expert, said that T2 is a welcome addition with the building using a lot of features towards sustainability. However, he said that the airport passenger handling capacity would be saturated soon.

"KIA has already crossed 35 million passengers and the existing terminal (T1) does not even have a capacity of 20 million. KIA has been operating double its capacity for some time, so the airport should not just have phase 1 but also phase 2 completed soon as it is closing in on the Mumbai airport. In fact, it will overtake Mumbai very soon to become the second busiest airport," Mr. Agarwal said.

Currently, KIA is the third busiest airport after Delhi and Mumbai.

A couple of years ago the Bangalore Chamber of Industry and Commerce which represents various segments of the industry like manufacturing, aerospace, aviation, IT, Biotech, Pharma, Engineering, Garments, Food Processing, Steel and Services had made a study about KIA's challenges and proposed to the government on the need for a second airport as KIA will be fully constrained by 2030.

"Currently the city of 12 million plus is served by one airport namely BIAL. The idea of the current airport being expanded to facilitate growth does not hold. On a comprehensive capacity basis which incorporates airspace, airside, landside and terminal constraints, the airport will fully saturate between 2030-2032," the study report stated.

## Need for second airport

Agarwal said that there is a need for a second airport which should be located somewhere in a triangle between Hassan, Mysuru, and Bengaluru in the south west quadrant.

"There is no provision for T3 at the airport, terminal capacity is not the only challenge, there are others factors like airspace capacity and the runway capacity," Agarwal said.

The BCIC study report suggested that the second airport should come up in between Mysuru and Bengaluru.

"To achieve the government's goal of decongesting Bengaluru and developing industry in the Mysuru and Hassan areas, the airport should be ideally located somewhere around the towns of Ramanagaram and Channapatna," the report stated.

## Third terminal, third runway

There have been talks of a third Terminal at KIA. However, it is expected to take shape only in the next decade. Fairfax India which has 54 % stake in BIAL in its interim report for the six months ended June 30, 2022 said that "construction of terminal 3 has been delayed until BIAL's fiscal year 2034."

KIA is the only airport in south India to operate independent parallel runways, enabling aircraft to land or take off simultaneously on both the runways.

While one is a CAT I equipped runway the other is CAT IIIB runway which can facilitate aircraft landing with a Runway Visual Range as low as 50 meters and take-offs at 125 metres.

A few years ago the Bangalore Political Action Committee (B.PAC) had written to the State government to grant land for developing a third runway at the airport as it will help handle contingencies and secure the airport's future.

# Over 14 years on, approaching the airport still a daunting task

**Suchith Kidiyoor**
BENGALURU

Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) completed 14 years of operations on May 24, 2022. Over the years, the Bengaluru airport, which is located 35 km from the centre of the city, has made significant achievements in expanding its infrastructure, including operationalising a second runway and giving more comfort of travel to the passengers by way of introducing biometric, contactless travelling, and others. Once the T2 is fully functional, it will further boost passenger footfall.

However, one thing that has remained unchanged is the arduous task of travelling to the airport. Unfortunately, in the absence of a robust mass transit system to the airport, air passengers are forced to rely on taxis or private modes of transport manoeuvring through traffic gridlocks and poor roads.

Interestingly, even before the airport started commercial operations in 2007, the then government had proposed to build a high-speed rail link connecting M.G. Road with Devanahalli. However, in 2013, the project was nixed citing higher cost and non-feasibility, and instead, a metro line was favoured.

Meanwhile, the National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) upgraded the highway linking the airport from Hebbal to Trumpet. For more than a decade, people going to the airport have been paying a toll to use the road.

The KIA halt station. South Western Railway runs MEMU train services to the airport, but the patronage has not been promising. SUDHAKARA JAIN

As the vehicle numbers in the city increased from 50.33 lakh to over 1 crore in the last decade, resulting in heavy congestion on the roads, travel time to reach the airport too has gone up. When it rains, there are many instances of Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL) issuing advisory asking air passengers to "plan their travel" to reach the airport in advance.

Smitha V., an air passenger, said, "It is very unfortunate that authorities have failed to provide a mass transit system to the airport. Now, the metro is being constructed to link the airport. There is a need to expedite the project in the interest of the public."

## The options

Ashish Verma, convenor of IISc Sustainable Transport Lab, said in 14 years, the airport has seen expansion in terms of adding infrastructure on the campus, but when it comes to the public transport system, there is no progress when passenger volume has increased drastically.

"We still see Vayu Vajra services of the BMTC and nano addition of Fly Bus by the KSRTC. A majority of the people continue to rely on taxis to reach the airport. The airport boasts about sustainable operations, green airport, providing various travel comforts and others. But how thousands of people approach every day, fossil fuel consumption, impact on environment, traffic congestion has not been taken cognisance of by the operator as well as the authorities all these years. When the tollway was constructed, the same corridor should have been used for providing metro links. Authorities concerned should take a clue from airports that are well connected and provide better access," he said.

The BMTC, which has been providing the Vayu Vajra services for 14 years, is at present running 110 buses to the airport. Close to 12,000 people are relying on this service. Most of the passengers rely on taxis and private vehicles to reach the airport.

On other hand, South Western Railway is running MEMU train services to the airport, but the patronage has not been promising. The SWR, BIAL and other stakeholders held discussions on improving the ridership, but hardly a few passengers are using the services.

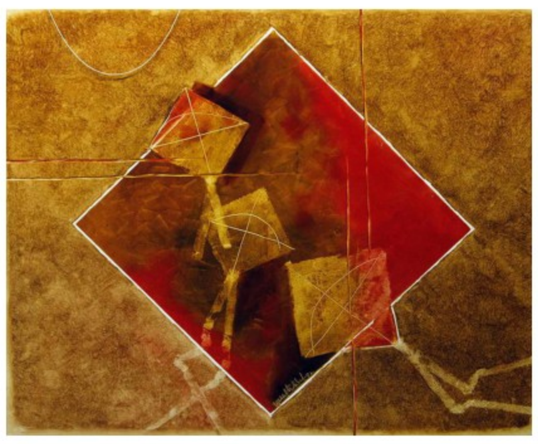
Blade, an urban air mobility company which launched helicopter services from HAL airport to KIA, said that in the last 20 days, the service has seen 70 % of occupancy. The service charges ₹3,250 plus tax as fare.

## Airport metro link

The Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) is building 55 km ORR - Airport metro line from Central Silk Board to KIA. The metro alignment goes via K.R. Puram, Nagawara and Hebbal. BMRCL MD Anjum Parwez said that earlier, a deadline was set to commission the line by mid-year of 2026.

"While planning the metro link to the airport, expansion of airport was taken into consideration to meet the travel needs of passengers for the next 30 years. The project is going at full swing. We have already floated a tender for rolling stock. Only a tender is pending for signaling, which will be floated soon. Once the line opened for commercial operations, 6.5 lakh people can travel every day. We are working hard to complete work by mid-2025. On the other hand, the Kalena Agrahara to Nagawara line that will be linked to the airport line at Nagawara will be completed by 2024."

The K-RIDE (Rail Infrastructure Development Company (Karnataka) Limited) is proposing to construct a suburban rail network from Majestic to Devanahalli linking the airport. Though the K-RIDE was asked to consider implementing this line on priority basis, it was not taken up for construction. In the first phase, the K-RIDE has taken up Baiyappanahalli to Chikkabanavara line.



**Bengaluru's NGMA** is exhibiting an extensive collection of artwork and sculptures by the late artist Yusuf Arakkal

# A brush through time

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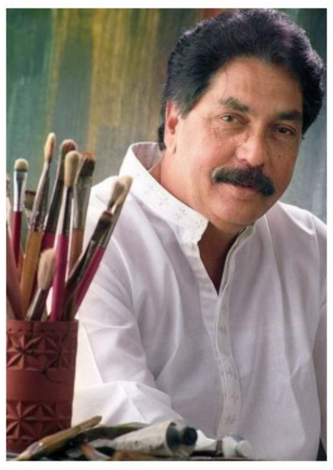
Mentor. Friend. Partner. Travel guide. Writer. Poet. There is a quiet pride in Sara Arakkal's voice as she talks about her late husband, Yusuf.

Known to the world as an artist of repute, Sara is privy to the boy he was and the man he became – evident in Celebration Solitude and Humanity: Yusuf Arakkal Retrospective. The exhibition is not only a homage to Yusuf's body of work, but is also Sara's life story as well as his.



**Over arcing perspective** Art and sculpture by artist Yusuf Arakkal. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

"His parents had passed away when he was very young and he was raised by relatives in Chavakkad, Kerala who couldn't understand or nurture the creative urge in him. His constant sketching on the walls was frowned upon and his requests to study Art were rejected. He ran away to Bangalore when he was a teenager to become an artist," says Sara.

After roughing it out for close to three years, ekeing out an existence doing odd jobs around the city, destiny brought him face to face with T Mohammed. "They got to talking in Malayalam and my father took him under his wing. He brought him home to tutor us – we are five siblings."

Mohammed, who was working at HAL then, got Yusuf a job there too. "Yusuf still had a burning desire to study Art, so he enrolled at Chitrakala Parishath, working the evening shift at HAL so he could attend classes during the day."

Sara recalls how they would struggle to find the work-art balance in the initial years. "Yusuf was always painting and at that time, I had no clue about the art world. Once, he had finished a painting of Mother Teresa. I saw it lying flat and hung it up. The paint hadn't dried and soon enough it seemed Mother Teresa had lost most of her wrinkles," she laughs.

Needless to say, Yusuf had to redo it. Their son Shibu, a pre-schooler at the time, touched the still wet, blue hem of Mother Teresa's sari with his fingertips – two tiny smudges his father left untouched.

The anecdotes abound as do the seemingly endless expressions of creativity. Oils and acrylics on canvas and paper, water colours, pen-and-ink sketches, charcoals, computer graphics and serigraphs, adorn the walls in all shapes and sizes, while sculptures in copper, terracotta, aluminium and wood, dot the gallery.

"He was constantly trying his hand with new material and eventually commissioned works began coming his way. Our journey started to take us all around the world and he patiently taught me how to curate a show," she says.

In the mid-70s, there were few private galleries where one could exhibit and the duo eventually opened Gallery Sara Arakkal to provide a platform for fledgling artists.

Sara quit her job at an ad agency to run the gallery. Yusuf's hardships fostered a generosity of spirit, but fame never got to his head. "He found immense satisfaction in helping new artists and mentoring them," she says. At the entrance of the exhibition, is the Arto-Mobile, Yusuf's first car which he reworked into a copper sculpture because he couldn't bear to dispose off it once he got a new ride.

Soon, the awards began pouring in, but Sara says it was the award bestowed by the Lalit Kala Akademi in 1983, that held a special meaning for Yusuf.

For this exhibition, the first since his passing in 2016, Sara has put together close to 200 pieces of his work spanning 45 years. "I have tried to display at least a few works from every series Yusuf ever created. Many collectors were kind enough to loan us their pieces."

Honouring his legacy, a catalogue of Yusuf's works will be released mid-November and will be on sale at NGMA with Faces of Creativity, a collection of his pen-and-ink sketches of personalities he admired.

*Celebration of Solitude and Humanity - Yusuf Arakkal Retrospective will be on display at NGMA Bengaluru till November 30, 2022.*

# Let the magic be gin

## Delhi-based Gin Explorers Club is in Bengaluru this weekend with a plethora of pop-ups and more...

**Ruth Dhanaraj**

'Sip, Experience and Explore' goes the tagline for the first-of-its-kind gin festival in the city presented by Delhi-based Gin Explorers Club on November 5 and 6. Aimed at promoting gin as a choice of drink, Gin Explorers Club - Mythical Edition, will see 15 pop-up bars present their brands in a setting replete with food and fun activities.

According to Anjali Batra, co-founder of Food Talk with Shuchir Suri, Gin Explorers Club began as a pilot project in 2017. "Around this time, we began noticing Indian consumers picking up new brands of gin whenever they travelled abroad as there weren't too many choices here. The festival was created as a canvas for multiple gin brands to narrate their story and showcase their products," says Anjali.

"Gin is a very 'spirited' spirit. No two types of gin in the world taste the same as they are a mix of 10 to 15 or in some cases, even 47 botanicals that come together in a unique blend," she adds.

Unlike most such fests, the Mythical Edition focusses only on one spirit and its various brands. Now in its sixth edition, The Gin Explorers Club is in Bengaluru for the first time. "We believe it will be an experience that goes beyond the gin festival. There is a massive focus on activities, with music and fashion, as well as a flea market and a food zone, making it a chance to unwind with friends and family," she says.

The Gin Explorers Club will see artistes such as Huyana, Sickflip, DJ Nida and others perform over two days. Some of the participating brands include Gordon's x Jimmy's, Jade Forest, Samsara and Tanqueray among others.

*The Gin Explorers Club - Mythical Edition will take place at Jayamahal Palace on November 5 and 6. Tickets available at www.insider.in.*

**Cheers to new beginnings** Bringing gin to the city. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

# Puppies for adoption

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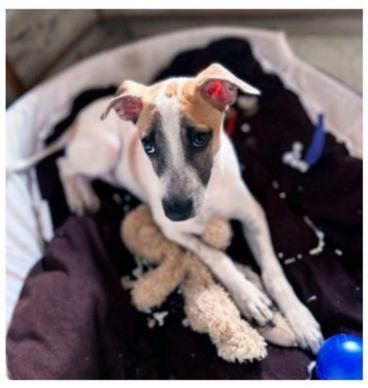
Attention, pet lovers of Bengaluru! If you or someone you know is planning to adopt a pet, we have two adorable puppies for your consideration:-

**Hotdog** is a 5.5-month-old male brown and white pup. He was rescued along with his siblings by Let's Live Together, a non-profit dog rescue programme. He is vaccinated, leash-trained, potty-trained, and is friendly with kids and adults. He eats fruits, vegetables, and egg. For adoption, contact 9513746699 or 9986413916. You can also email llt.adoption@gmail.com.



**Snake Gourd** is 1.5-month-old male black pup. He was rescued along with his siblings by Let's Live Together. He is vaccinated, leash-trained, potty-trained, and is friendly. Apart from his treats, he likes to eat rice, bread, apple, dal, biscuits, and baby cereal. He is kid-friendly and likes playing fetch. For adoption, contact 9513746699 or 9986413916. You can also email llt.adoption@gmail.com.

## STEPOUT

### Caffeine treats

Araku Coffee presents the fourth edition of Mash, the Cacao Origins, which will feature chef Rahul Sharma and dishes that draw inspiration from the local produce grown around cacao farms such as tapioca, raw bananas, fresh mace and cocoa vinegar. Scheduled for November 5, 7pm onwards, it is priced at ₹3,700 plus taxes per person. *For queries and bookings, call 7993989888. Pre-bookings also available on AirMenus .*

### Weekend unwind

Phoenix MarketCity Bengaluru presents a performance by Papon on November 5, 6pm onwards. Papon is a multi-lingual singer and has sung in Assamese, Bengali, Tamil and Marathi. He is known for songs such as 'Jiyein Kyun' from the movie *Dum Maaro Dum*, 'Yeh Moh Moh ke Dhaage' from *Dum Lagake Haisha* and 'Bulleya' from *Sultan*.
*Tickets on Bookmyshow*

### Digital illustrations

Maruti Suzuki Arena Bengaluru Comic Con, powered by Meta, presents Digital Art 101 — a workshop with Derek Domnic D'souza. Organised in association with Vapour, Bengaluru, it will focus on how Derek takes his concepts to the digital medium as a digital illustrator. The workshop is open to people of all age groups and will be held on November 6, 5pm onwards. The venue will be Vapour, Indiranagar, 100ft Road.
*Entry is free.*

## Heavy-handed hurry

### Perils of editorial laxity are obvious, but defamation should be decriminalised

What happens when there is a grave lapse in editorial judgment and something false gets published? If the report is against someone who wields influence, and the media institution concerned is a known critic of the Government, the consequences might turn out to be disproportionately severe. Digital publication *The Wire* finds itself in precisely this predicament after a series of its stories has been discredited due to what it admits is fabricated evidence provided by one of its own consultants. Its reporting relating to the alleged privileges enjoyed by a purported beneficiary of social media giant Meta's 'XCheck' programme – privileges that it claimed included the right to report any post and have it taken down with no questions asked – has turned out to be a major debacle. Amit Malviya, head of the ruling BJP's national IT department, named as the one who had got an Instagram post removed, has filed a police complaint, alleging a conspiracy by *The Wire* to harm his reputation through forgery. The Delhi Police, with whom *The Wire* too filed a complaint against its consultant Devesh Kumar for allegedly perpetrating an elaborate hoax by submitting fabricated digital proof, lost no time in searching the residences of its editors and seizing laptops and phones. Even by the set standards of the present regime in dealing with vocal dissenters, the hurry shown and the seizures made by the police are shocking. The effort seems to be to make an example of *The Wire*.

Despite the element of forgery in this case, one cannot dismiss a possible conspiracy to discredit *The Wire*. Mr. Malviya has limited his complaint to its founders and the journalists whose bylines appeared in initial reports concerning him. Further, the complaint does not name Mr. Kumar, raising a doubt whether this is intentional. The police should not really be investigating the defamation angle, as Supreme Court judgments are clear that prosecution for defamation should only be at the instance of the aggrieved person, and there can be no police FIR. The case highlights the continuing hazard of having defamation on the criminal statute to be exploited by influential state-backed actors rather than a civil remedy to aggrieved individuals. The Court's refusal to decriminalise defamation does add state power to the armoury of those waiting for occasional lapses in the media. The absence of malice, a key defence in such cases, is quite obvious in *The Wire* case, as no one would wilfully publish a report based on fabricated proof and fake validation by experts under the clear risk of exposure. At the same time, media outlets should acknowledge the perils of the interplay between editorial laxity and confirmation bias in assessing a potential story.

## The right and worse

### Israel's leaders must look for a solution to the Palestinian question

Benjamin Netanyahu, after spending 17 months in opposition, has made a stunning comeback with his Likud Party and its right-religious allies taking a solid lead in Tuesday's parliamentary elections. When about 93% votes were counted, his coalition, including the extremist Religious Zionism and ultra-orthodox Shas and United Torah Judaism, is poised to win 65 seats, a comfortable majority to form a government in the 120-member Knesset. While Likud is set to become the largest bloc with 32 seats, the centre-right Yesh Atid, led by Prime Minister Yair Lapid, the architect of last year's anti-Netanyahu coalition, is projected to win 24 seats. Mr. Netanyahu, Israel's longest serving Prime Minister, was ousted last year when Mr. Lapid and other opposition leaders formed a cross-ideology coalition of right-wing, centrist, centre-left and Arab parties. But the coalition government, led by Yamina Party's Naftali Bennett, eventually fell apart, pushing the country into its fifth election since 2019. For Mr. Netanyahu, who is on trial for three corruption cases, the time spent in the opposition was an opportunity to rebuild his right-religious base. He attacked the "weak" coalition and promised to make Israel "strong again". The results show that his campaign struck a chord.

With a clear majority in the Knesset, Mr. Netanyahu could build a stable government and pass legislation bypassing the Opposition's pressure tactics. But his return would also raise questions on regional peace and Israel's social stability. "The King of Israel" for his loyal supporters, he at best is a divisive leader, whose commitment towards a just solution of the Palestinian question remains doubtful. He had once said that an independent Palestinian state would not be formed under his watch. He has also been known for his hawkish policies towards Iran, which has blamed Israel for a series of subversive attacks inside its territory (which Israel has not denied). While Mr. Netanyahu is seen to be a hardliner, his main coalition partner, Itamar Ben-Gvir of Religious Zionism, is farther on the right. Mr. Ben-Gvir, who in 2007 was convicted of inciting racism and backing a terrorist group, wants to dismantle the Palestinian Authority, the provisional government in the occupied territories, and is staunchly opposed to a Palestinian state. He has also attacked Israel's Arab citizens. While a government of Messrs Netanyahu and Ben-Gvir would be a leap for Israel's right wing, any leader who is invested in the country's long-term interests cannot ignore the growing violence in the occupied lands and widening social disquiet inside Israel proper.

# *China's 20th Party Congress over, the road ahead*

**M.K. Narayanan**

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China's 20th Party Congress concluded with hardly any surprises, and a predetermined script was implemented without any hitch. Xi Jinping was anointed President for an unprecedented third term, and all six of his acolytes made it to the powerful Politburo Standing Committee. Li Qiang is widely expected to take over as Prime Minister from Li Keqiang, who was unceremoniously dropped from the standing committee. Mr. Xi's words while introducing the new leadership – that they would not be daunted by 'high winds, choppy waters and even dangerous storms' – reflected the prevailing mood at the Congress.

**'Core' status reinforced**

The outcome can be summed up in the following words – maintaining the Party's grip on power trumps all other considerations. Mr. Xi's 'core' status has been further reinforced, and he is now set to eclipse Deng Xiaoping and Jiang Zemin, placing him next only to Mao. Mr. Xi's Thought on 'Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era' will be the Chinese Communist Party/Communist Party of China (CCP)'s guiding philosophy for the future. National security would be the key factor dictating all aspects of governance. A common theme that permeated the proceedings was affirmation of the CCP's historical mission. There was only a single narrative, crafted in a manner that extolled Mr. Xi's role in revitalisation of the CCP, further enhancing his cult status. Unequivocally rejected was an earlier Xi thesis of a 'Community of Common Destiny' which has been replaced by the belief that international public opinion was currently anti-China and also included an incitement to overthrow the existing Communist regime. To counter such disruptive philosophies, it had become necessary for the CCP to emphasise ideological coherence and internal discipline. This would help to avoid the danger of a 'Soviet style collapse' caused by ideological laxity, corruption, divisions within the party and attempts by outsiders to foment unrest.

In the realm of geo-politics, the Congress declared that the objective is to effectively reduce the authority and the power of the United States. This was especially true of China's neighbourhood, essentially the Indo-Pacific. Also to be eschewed by China were the vague and contradictory goals of the past, made at a time when China sought to make rapid progress in several directions.

Implicit in the proceedings was the belief that China was being deliberately denied access, and the ability, to import certain vital technological items, and in this regard, of being a victim of major international conspiracies. Earlier pragmatism was replaced by concerns about western pressures to derail China's progress.

> Not withstanding the repeated use of certain words such as 'security' and 'military' and a cementing of Xi Jinping's power and authority, what China is likely to do in the post-Party Congress period remains an enigma; India needs to be cautious

The Party Congress is indicative of the fact that Mr. Xi is much more than a mere party 'restorer', and that he adheres to the belief that the CCP's role is central to Chinese society and critical to determining China's role in world affairs. Belief in the CCP's historical mission was crucial to avoid the kind of catastrophic mistakes made by the Communist Party of the Soviet Union in the 1990s, leading to its demise .

In terms of China's world view, the Party Congress reiterated that the goal is to make China a modern socialist power by 2035, boost per capita income to middle income levels, and modernise the armed forces. By 2049, the 100th anniversary of the Peoples' Republic of China, China is determined to lead the world in terms of composite national strength and international influence. It was also evident that Mr. Xi enjoys wide, if not overwhelming, support within the Party elite, enabling him to infuse a renewed sense of purpose alongside tightening of controls over it. While many Chinese do not want to set the clock back, there are quite a few, however, who resent Mr. Xi's overweening emphasis on the criticality of the Communist Party in every sphere, as also disruption of the traditional power structure. Hence, it may not be all plain sailing in the period ahead.

**Implications for the world**

What does the Party Congress herald for the world, including India? Notwithstanding the repeated use of certain words such as security and military, what China is likely to do in the post-Party Congress period remains an enigma. Mr. Xi today exercises more power and authority, is perhaps better positioned in the hierarchy than anyone before, and is supported by a cabal of leaders who have no independent base. He has unfettered authority – Head of the Party, Head of the State and Chairman, Central Military Commission. The issue is about how he proposes to use this in the five years ahead.

Conventional wisdom would be that Mr. Xi would flex his muscles almost immediately, to achieve certain predetermined ends. Nevertheless, given Mr. Xi's makeup and background, one should not expect him to act irrationally. Mr. Xi is a Maoist in a certain sense but he is no Mao, and is unlikely to indulge in the kind of errors committed by Mao such as The Great Leap Forward and the break-up with the Soviet Union. His target is to make China Great again by 2049. Hence, he is likely to act with more than a degree of caution, avoiding taking actions in haste and upsetting the target of achieving greatness by 2049. China has many peaks to conquer in the next 25 years before it achieves greatness, and Mr. Xi's calculation would be not to endanger the 2049 target by taking premature action or through his grandstanding.

Hence, one can expect that notwithstanding the level of rhetoric and assertions that this is a dangerous phase, China is unlikely to take any premature step to take over Taiwan, and thereby risk a wider conflict with the U.S. and the rest of the world at this point. Mr. Xi is far more likely to devote attention to internal matters within China, since unity within the Communist Party remains ephemeral; while dissent has been stamped out for the present, more consolidation would be necessary.

The state of China's economy is also likely to be a matter of prime concern to the Party leadership, including Mr. Xi. Dealing with the clouds on the horizon, including efforts to isolate China and the imposition of new restrictions on trade, especially China's access to leading technologies such as semi-conductor technology, available elsewhere in the world would have higher priority. Consequently, one might well see China stepping back from its present confrontational posture with the U.S. and several other countries, and adopting a more conciliatory approach in the near future. There are, of course, certain red lines – any attempt at provocation within the 'First Island Chain', or encouraging Taiwan to seek independence or break away from China – are certain to lead to a conflict, irrespective of how it would adversely affect China's 2049 plans and objectives.

**For Japan and India**

While China may adopt a more benign attitude towards much of the rest of the world, India and Japan will figure at the top of the list of countries on China's agenda with which a confrontation is possible, to ensure that they acknowledge China's leadership in Asia. In India's case, while further skirmishes between the two countries along the several thousand kilometres of the undefined land border is to be expected, China is unlikely to embark on an open conflict with it anywhere else in the Indian Ocean region. This could alter, if India were to pursue a more aggressive policy in support of the West's 'open seas policy' in waters in China's vicinity.

India is, however, likely to be a principal target of Chinese wrath in the next few years. As India's economic fortunes steadily improve even as China's declines, the perceptional conflict will become more intense. Moreover, if India is seen as a major recipient of western technology, the kind being denied to China, China would make it a point to use its economic, rather than military muscle, to deter India's progress. For China to achieve greatness by 2049, subduing India economically, and reducing its image in the eyes of the world would be critically important.

# *Vanuatu's big plea does little to arrest climate change*

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There is a strong belief in some quarters that the next climate conference, just days away in Sharm El Sheikh in Egypt this year (COP27) may not discuss climate change mitigation largely on account of the ongoing energy stress in Europe. It is felt that the Russia-Ukraine crisis and resulting global energy supply shortages have dented everyone's ability to reduce emissions. This may be a legitimate view but the discussion on coal in the United Nations General Assembly, in September, points to an opposite possibility. The President of Vanuatu, a small Pacific island, wanted the General Assembly to adopt a universal Non Proliferation Treaty to ban the use of fossil fuels across the world.

Usually, such a call by a nation whose contribution to the global energy supplies and emissions is negligible would have gone unnoticed. But Vanuatu represents a strong and vocal group of small island-developing states whose voice is heard with attention and empathy in the UN. More so, when it is a matter that will affect the global discourse on climate change.

The small island group has gone around seeking endorsements from various quarters – governments, the corporate world and civil society. Interestingly, the Mayor of Kolkata, capital of one of the largest coal producing States in India, has lent his voice of support.

**A similar call on coal use**

Vanuatu's plea comes in the wake of a similar call for phaseout of coal which was made last year at the Glasgow climate conference. After strong protest by the Indian interlocutors, the language of the decision at Glasgow was toned down from phaseout to phase down of unabated coal power and inefficient fuel subsidies. When India argued that a phaseout was unfair to countries that were heavily dependent on coal power in the medium term, there was consternation among climate enthusiasts. Given this background, the Alliance Of Small Island States (AOSIS) may be preparing the ground to make the fossil fuel elimination a part of national climate plans at COP 27.

> Having a universal Non Proliferation Treaty banning the use of fossil fuels globally would do very little to arrest the problem of climate change

**Different implications**

Some people ask why India, which agreed to the phasedown in Glasgow, would object to a non-proliferation treaty even when it offers a flexible timeline for a phasedown. The reason may have well to do with the fact that a call to end fossil fuels through a mandate in the UN has very different implications than when it is presented under the UN Climate Change Convention. A UN mandate of this nature is divorced from the legal responsibility of the polluting countries to reduce their emissions on the basis of responsibility, capability and national circumstances, as required by the Climate Change Convention. It also makes no provisions for technological and financial innovations that are necessary to ensure the transition.

A few months ago, a similar attempt had been made in the UN to treat the matter of climate change as that of global security and request the UN Security Council to resolve it. This was dropped because of the opposition of most of the global south, which saw in this an attempt to address climate change not through international cooperation and consensus but by imposing the wish of a select few on others.

Coal phasedown is not the only way to reduce global emissions. Coal is the mainstay of primary energy supply in many countries such as India and forms the basic and essential component of their energy system. On the other hand, a substantial share of rising global emissions is accounted for by the unsustainable levels of consumption of natural resources and lavish lifestyles led by the consumers in developed economies. Even in the developing economies, some sections of society are responsible for this lavish and irresponsible behaviour. A plan to drastically reduce coal fired power would in fact do very little to arrest the problem of climate change globally but may create insurmountable difficulties in securing the progress of developing economies towards key sustainable development goals. If the transition to a world of lower emissions has to be sustainable, it must also be just and equitable. It must ensure equal access to energy and secure energy supplies to all, not just to a few. While the developed economies have full access to alternative sources of energy, because of their strength in terms of technology and resources, the developing nations are handicapped. Therefore, a just transition needs to be built on the promise that green energy and a green future will be available to all. It is in this context that the call for Lifestyle for Environment (LiFE) issued by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the UN Secretary-General, jointly in India recently, assumes importance. Consumers in countries that consume at an unsustainable pace and contribute to rising emissions have a much greater responsibility to clean up the planet and support the growth of green energy.

The world today is suffering from the adverse effects of climate change which have devastated homes and the livelihoods of large populations in various parts of the vulnerable world. Addressing these impacts and preparing the world for an uncertain future should be the priority. Unfortunately for the developing world, the coal question always takes away prime time in such conferences. It is high time that building climate-resilient infrastructure in the developing and growing countries is given as much importance as phasing down coal and investment in energy innovations and alternative technologies.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**The Governor problem**

Governors have a pivotal role and are expected to work in close tandem with State governments. But sadly, it is just the reverse these days, with one State after the other complaining about their Governors. Why has there been no real effort to bridge the gap? The nation cannot march forward if there are just disputes and blame games. Governors were never questioned in the past as they were respected, but it seems to be an age of rifts and disagreements now.

**Balasubramaniam Pavani,**
Secunderabad

**Back in power**

Benjamin Netanyahu's return to power is not welcome news for the Palestinians as chances of a political solution to the conflict are rather remote under him. Of course Mr. Netanyahu back in the saddle would spell good news for India for various reasons. Even so, India should exercise caution lest its relations with Palestine and other allies in West Asia are jeopardised.

**N. Rama Rao,**
Chennai

**Bridge collapse**

The collapse of the suspension bridge in Morbi, Gujarat, is a case of taxpayers' money being misused by unscrupulous elements. One really wonders why the bridge was opened in such a great hurry. There needs to be a fair and impartial probe.

**Tharcius S. Fernando,**
Chennai

The gut-wrenching accident continues to haunt us. It could have been averted as it is clear that the core issues, of structural stability and load-bearing capacity of the bridge, were glossed over. The 'act of fraud', i.e., a political taunt made in a similar context in 2016 following an accident in Kolkata, can return to haunt the Gujarat government.

**R. Sivakumar,**
Chennai

**Corrections & Clarifications**

In the Editorial, "The second coming" (November 2, 2022), Jair Bolsonaro's five years in power should have been four years.

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# How are political parties placed a month before the Gujarat Assembly elections?

It is clear that the BJP is ahead of its rivals and there is a close contest between the Congress and the Aam Aadmi Party for the second spot

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CSDS-LOKNITI SURVEY

Sandeep Shastri & Sanjay Kumar

For quite a few Assembly elections, Gujarat has seen a straight contest between the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and the Congress. Is 2023 any different?

The Lokniti-Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS) poll seems to indicate that the situation seems to have dramatically changed and we may well see a three-cornered contest now. At present, the BJP seems to be way ahead of its rivals in terms of vote share. Its projected vote share is nearly double the vote share of its nearest rival (Table 1). The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) has emerged as the BJP's closest rival with the Congress being displaced to a close third position. The survey indicates that the vote share of the Congress appears to have reduced by half (as compared to the 2017 polls) and the beneficiary has been the AAP.

> The BJP is doing better in rural areas, while both the Congress and the AAP enjoy greater support in cities than in villages

**How votes are split**

While support for the AAP decreases as the age of the respondent increases, the reverse appears true for the BJP. The AAP has higher support among those who have greater access to education. The BJP is doing better in rural areas, while both the Congress and the AAP enjoy greater support in cities than in villages. As the level of affluence of the respondent increases, the intensity of support for the BJP rises. The AAP captures one-fourth of the votes of the poor and the middle class and has limited support among the well-to-do sections. One-fourth of the respondents among the economically lower segments and the rich tend to favour the Congress.

**Votes by caste groups**

The BJP appears to have strong support among the powerful Patidars and the upper castes. As compared to 2017, the Congress appears to have lost a major chunk of the Patidar vote to the BJP. The BJP appears to have majority support among the non-Koli Other Backward Classes. There seems to be a three-way split of the Dalit vote, with the Congress securing the largest chunk. There is also a three-way divide in the tribal vote, with the BJP securing the largest chunk. The same holds true for the Koli vote. Close to half the Muslim vote appears to be with the Congress. Three of every 10 prefer the AAP and one in every 10 favour the BJP. There is a decline in the Muslim vote for both the Congress and the BJP as compared to 2017.

While close to three-fourth of the Congress voters said that they will vote for the party they have currently indicated, seven of every 10 of the BJP supporters took a similar stand. A little over two-thirds of the AAP voters indicated that they will not change their electoral preference. While one-third of the AAP supporters conceded that their decision on who to vote for may change, that level of uncertainty was much less among the BJP and Congress supporters (Table 2).

**Findings on Congress**

The findings also suggest that though the Congress has not been in power in Gujarat for the last two decades, and a third alternative has entered the contest, more than half of the voters (56%) believe that the Congress has been an effective Opposition party in the State. Though the proportion of those having such a perception was stronger among Congress voters, close to three-fifths among AAP voters and a little over half of BJP voters also shared this view that the Congress has been an effective Opposition party in Gujarat.

The survey clearly indicates that there is a three-way race in Gujarat. A month prior to the polls, it is clear that the BJP is ahead of its rivals and there is a close contest between the Congress and the AAP for the second spot.

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Table 1: Where do various political parties stand a month before elections?

| Parties | 2017 (%) | October 2022 (%) | Swing (%) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Congress | 41.4 | 21 | -20.4 |
| BJP | 49.1 | 47 | -2.1 |
| AAP | 0.0 | 22 | +22.0 |
| Others | 9.5 | 10 | +0.5 |

Vote share projected after applying weight on social profile

Table 2: Will voters vote for the same party or will their decision change?

| | Will vote for the same party (%) | Decision may change (%) | No response/ Can't say (%) |
|---|---|---|---|
| **All** | **70** | **26** | **4** |
| Congress voters | 73 | 25 | 2 |
| BJP voters | 70 | 25 | 5 |
| AAP voters | 67 | 29 | 4 |
| Voters of other parties | 53 | 38 | 9 |

The way the question was worded: Will you vote for the same party when elections are held two-three months later or can your decision change?

Table 3: Has the Congress been an effective Opposition party in Gujarat?

| | Congress has been an effective Opposition in Gujarat | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Agree (%) | Disagree (%) | No response (%) |
| **All** | **56** | **29** | **15** |
| Congress voters | 65 | 23 | 12 |
| BJP voters | 53 | 32 | 15 |
| AAP voters | 59 | 27 | 14 |
| Voters of other parties | 39 | 32 | 29 |

The way the question was worded: Do you agree or disagree with the statement: The Congress in Gujarat has been an effective Opposition party to the BJP government in the State?

# Is there a desire for a third alternative to the BJP and Congress in Gujarat?

Table 1: Is there a need for a third party in Gujarat other than the BJP and the Congress?

| Apart from the BJP and the Congress, there is need for a third party in Gujarat | All (%) |
|---|---|
| Agree | 61 |
| Disagree | 24 |
| No response | 15 |

The way the question was worded: Do you agree or disagree with the statement: Apart from the BJP and Congress, there is need for a third party in Gujarat

Table 2: Share of voters who feel the need for a third alternative

| | Agree that there is need for a third party (%) | Disagree that there is need for a third party (%) | No response (%) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Congress voters | 61 | 23 | 16 |
| BJP voters | 54 | 30 | 16 |
| AAP voters | 72 | 19 | 9 |
| Voters of other parties | 65 | 11 | 24 |

Table 3: Media consumption and the desire for a third alternative

| | Agree that they is need for third party (%) | Disagree that they is need for third party (%) |
|---|---|---|
| No exposure | 56 | 29 |
| Low exposure | 62 | 22 |
| Medium exposure | 62 | 24 |
| High exposure | 63 | 22 |

Sanjay Kumar & Suhas Palshikar

After its big electoral success in Punjab, the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) has been eyeing Gujarat. AAP supremo and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal has been touring the length and breadth of the State in the last few months, trying to establish a connect with the people of Gujarat and to challenge the claims of development by the ruling BJP government in the State. His aggressive campaign against poor governance in the State seems to be bearing some fruit, as a large number of voters seems convinced that there is need for a third alternative in Gujarat. A State long known for its bi-party structure of competition now seems to be exploring the possibility of a third alternative.

In the Lokniti-CSDS survey, when asked if they think there is need for a third alternative besides the BJP and the Congress in the State, as many as 61% of the respondents agreed that there this (Table 1). While the survey can't tell us how AAP has been able to convince such a large number of people of the need for a third alternative in the State, the survey does indicate that this opinion is shared by voters of different political parties. It is not surprising to note that the desire for a third alternative is highest among AAP voters, but what is interesting is that half the voters who intend to vote for the BJP in the forthcoming Assembly elections also support the idea of a third alternative in the State (Table 2). Those with higher media exposure share this view more firmly compared to those who with less media exposure (Table 3).

Delhi Chief Minister and AAP convener Arvind Kejriwal during a visit to the Somnath temple near Veraval in Gujarat. PTI

> Half the voters who intend to vote for the BJP also support the idea of a third alternative

Findings of the survey indicate a peculiar paradox. This desire for a third alternative is not because people feel that the BJP government, which has been in power for the last 27 years, has not done any work in the State; on the contrary, a very large number of people said the BJP government's record on development has been very good. In fact, 71% people believe that there has been development, but some of those who hold this opinion still want to give a chance to a new political party. This opinion is shared more by urban voters compared to rural voters (Table 4).

This strong desire for change of government in the State may not get reflected in the voting trends as perception plays an important role in elections. Findings of the survey indicate that while there is a clear desire for a third party, there is a vertical split in the opinion whether the AAP can win the election. A little less than one-third of the voters think the AAP could only be a spoiler, while a similar number of voters believes it could form the government. The remaining one-thirds do not hold any opinion on this (Table 5).

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Table 4: Despite the positive opinion about development, people are in favour of a third party

| | All (%) |
|---|---|
| Brought in development, should get another chance | 27 |
| Brought in development, but a new party should get a chance | 44 |
| There's been no development, so where's the question of another chance? | 14 |
| No response | 15 |

The way the question was worded: The BJP has been governing Gujarat for the last 25 years. Some people say they have brought in development and should get another chance, while some say that even though it has brought in development, a new party's government should get a chance. What is your opinion?

Table 5: What do people think of the role of the AAP this election?

| | All (%) |
|---|---|
| AAP will only spoil the chances of the BJP and Congress, it won't win many seats | 31 |
| AAP is as strong as the BJP and Congress and can win many seats or even form the government | 34 |
| No response | 35 |

The way the question was worded: Which of these two statements do you agree with?

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### Gujarat to vote in two phases, results on Dec. 8

"There is a need to balance several factors when it comes to such announcements; not only were there various factors, there was also a very grievous accident that occurred there which needed to be kept in mind. In fact, there was State mourning [in Gujarat] as recently as yesterday," Mr. Kumar said. The schedule was prepared after taking into consideration "all relevant aspects", said the CEC, listing factors such as the climatic conditions, the academic calendar, major festivals, the prevailing law and order situation, and "in-depth assessment of other relevant ground realities".

### Bypolls held; heavy turnout in Munugode

The polls in Mokama and Gopalganj passed off peacefully with 53.45% and 51.48% turnout respectively, which was however low compared to the 2020 Assembly elections when the turnout in Mokama was 54.1% and 55.3% in Gopalganj.

At Gola Gokarannath, the bypoll ended amid allegations by the Samajwadi Party that some polling centres were captured by BJP supporters who drove away SP voters. In Haryana, 70% turnout was recorded at Adampur in Hisar as per the EC's "Voter Turnout App".

In Munugode, the byelection ended peacefully as close to 90% of voters exercised their franchise till 6 p.m. Brisk polling was reported from several mandals from 7 a.m. while voters in several villages reportedly refused to come to the polling stations as the major contending parties have not delivered the freebies assured to them. But, voting picked up by afternoon, crossing 59% by 3 p.m.

Conversely, voting in Mumbai's Andheri (East) recorded the lowest turnout of 31.74%, as no major political party was in the fray, except for Shiv Sena chief Uddhav Thackeray-backed Rutuja Ramesh Latke. Meanwhile, amid allegations of rigging and clashes between supporters of rival candidates, 58.53% of 2.38 lakh voters exercised their franchise till 5 p.m. in Dhamnagar byelection in Odisha.

### Woman and her twin babies die

Tumakuru District Health Officer (DHO) D.N. Manjunath, who admitted that there were lapses, said he had suspended the three nurses pending inquiry and recommended the suspension of the duty doctor, to the Commissioner. "The woman came with labour pain and should have been admitted without asking for any documents. This is gross negligence and action will be initiated against those at fault," the DHO told *The Hindu*.

Furious over the inhuman attitude of the hospital staff, residents of Bharatinagar gheraoed Dr. Veena and demanded immediate action. "Government hospitals are for the poor. If admission is refused in government hospitals, where do we go?" asked Ms. Sarojamma, who had accompanied the woman to the hospital.

"The woman refused to go the hospital initially as she did not have money even to pay for the autorickshaw. I pooled in money and took her to the hospital. But the staff there did not entertain as she did not have the cards. When I intervened and requested them to admit her, they asked me to go away and that they knew their duties," Ms. Sarojamma said.

Condemning the tragic incident and holding the hospital authorities and Health and Medical Education Minister K. Sudhakar responsible for it, the Opposition Janata Dal (S) has demanded his resignation. "The doctors and staff nurses, who denied the hapless woman timely medical attention, should be dismissed from service. The Minister, who himself is a doctor, should step down immediately owning moral responsibility," party leader and former Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy tweeted.

### 'Punjab govt. failed to curb stubble burning'

**The Hindu Bureau**
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With air quality in the National Capital Region (NCR) expected to deteriorate to the "severe" category, Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav said Punjab had fallen short of its commitments to curb stubble burning by "officially refusing" to use the biodecomposer spray that reportedly helps farmers to manage paddy straw.

Pusa biodecomposer is a microbial solution developed by the Indian Agricultural Research Institute in Delhi that decomposes paddy stubble into manure. It has been tested for over two years in Punjab, Haryana and Delhi. "However, the AAP government in Punjab has said that they won't be using it. Without any scientific evidence they are claiming that this doesn't work," said Mr. Yadav. "On the other hand, the spray had been successfully deployed in Uttar Pradesh and Haryana and had helped reduce instances of stubble burning." In a series of tweets on Wednesday, Mr. Yadav blamed Punjab's AAP government for turning Delhi into a "gas chamber", underlining that Punjab has seen a 19% increase in farm fires in comparison to last year, with 3,634 fires reported on Wednesday alone.

# Why announce poll dates for Gujarat separately, asks Cong.

AICC State in-charge Raghu Sharma urges EC to explain its decision, particularly when counting for both Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh Assembly elections are to be held on the same day

**The Hindu Bureau**
NEW DELHI

The Congress on Thursday said the Election Commission (EC) should explain to the people of the country why dates for the Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh Assembly elections were announced separately when counting would be held on the same day.

"First of all, I want to thank the EC for announcing Gujarat polls finally despite BJP government's pressure. As a constitutional body, the EC should give an explanation when counting of votes for elections in both States will be on the same day, why elections were announced on different dates," All India Congress Committee's Gujarat in-charge Raghu Sharma said.

Mr. Sharma alleged that the BJP got time to hold several political programmes at government expense and misused public resources in Gujarat.

He also targeted Prime Minister Narendra Modi for carrying on with all his official programmes despite the Morbi bridge collapse, while the Congress had cancelled all its political events.

Claiming to be working very hard and silently among the people, Mr. Sharma said the results in Gujarat would come as a surprise to everyone.

> The BJP's situation is not good at all and there are a lot of internal differences and that's why they wanted to linger on the elections
> **RAGHU SHARMA**
> AICC Gujarat in-charge

He also alleged that the Aam Aadmi Party and the All India Majlis-E-Ittehadul Muslimeen were the 'B-team' of the BJP, seeking to cut votes. "They are there only to cut votes even though we don't know whose votes they will cut. But we have the examples of Goa and Uttarakhand where we were stopped from forming governments because of the split in votes," Mr. Sharma said.

"The BJP's situation is not good at all and there are a lot of internal differences and that's why they wanted to linger on the elections," he noted, adding that the fight in Gujarat will be a bipolar contest between the BJP and the Congress. COVID mismanagement, huge haul of narcotics drugs, repeated paper leaks of professional exams and the recent Morbi tragedy were some of the matters that Mr. Sharma raised as key issues.

"Seven crore brothers and sisters of Gujarat think that Congress is the only alternative for change in the state," party president Mallikarjun Kharge tweeted and listed the eight poll promises of his party.

Elections to the 182 seats in the Gujarat Assembly will be held in two phases; voting on 89 seats will be held on December 1, while the remaining 93 seats will go to polls on December 5.

# Pull up Gujarat govt. for sloppy probe into collapse: Kharge to PM

**The Hindu Bureau**
NEW DELHI

Mallikarjun Kharge

The Congress on Thursday urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi to pull up the Gujarat government for "sloppy" investigation process into the Morbi bridge collapse incident. Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge levelled a series of allegations against the Gujarat government.

"Rusted cable of the bridge was NOT repaired. Bridge opened on Oct 26 without fitness certificate and official consent. Contractor was not qualified for the job. Municipality Chief knew that the bridge was open a day before the tragedy," Mr. Kharge said.

"Over 130 dead and no action been taken against the contractors and municipal officials? Is this negligence too an act of god," the party chief asked.

Congress spokesperson Pawan Khera said that the tragedy exposed the 'Gujarat model'. "This is the Gujarat Model of corruption and commission," Mr. Khera alleged.

He also questioned the State government's priorities when it chose to spruce up the civil hospital in Morbi for the Prime Minister's visit.

"You have all seen that hospital before the Prime Minister visited. There was nothing in that hospital, you get a water cooler without connecting water. This is the *Lipapoti* (cover up) model," he said.

# With a focus on Patidar community, AAP looks to gain ground in Gujarat election

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**New battleground:** Manish Sisodia and other AAP leaders at a roadshow in Palanpur area of Gujarat. PTI

The entry of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) into the electoral fray in Gujarat, a State which has traditionally seen a two-party fight between the BJP and the Congress, has created a flutter in terms of what it would mean for Assembly polls scheduled to be held in December.

Will the AAP hurt the prospects of the Congress by splitting the anti-BJP votes? Or can it make headway in the cities, its usual catchment area, thereby inflicting some damage on the BJP as well? Will the AAP actually win seats or will it simply grab a notable vote share without capturing any seats? These are some of the questions arising out of the party's entry into the State elections.

Traditionally, Gujarat has been a two party contest, with the BJP gaining significant support in urban areas and the Congress dominant in rural areas. In the 2017 elections, for example, the BJP won 55 out of 73 urban seats (75.3%). In rural areas, the Congress won 62 out of 109 seats (56.8%) while the BJP won 43.

Into this scenario enters the AAP, bolstered by a decent showing in the Surat local body polls last year. According to political observers in the State, the AAP is concentrating on the city of Surat as well as four districts in Saurashtra, which are largely rural. Hence, the theory that AAP is only going urban is not correct, and indeed that view of their strategy is limiting.

"There are more than 30 seats in Saurashtra where the winning margin was less than 1% of the total votes polled, and the AAP is concentrating on those too," said a senior leader of the BJP.

The Patidar community, who have traditionally voted for the BJP, have a strong presence in many of these seats in Saurashtra. Although the Patidar Anamat Andolan Samiti aligned with the Congress during the last Assembly polls in 2017, this time around, its most prominent leader Hardik Patel is with the BJP. However, two of its founding members, Alpesh Kathiriya and Dharmik Malaviya, have recently joined the AAP.

They are likely to play a significant role in Varachha and two other seats dominated by Patidars hailing from Saurashtra who have settled in Surat. This move not only shows the AAP's intention to bring out its firepower in Surat, but also signals that young members of the Patidar community are being wooed.

"In the last election, some Patidar vote did shift to the Congress, but it led to some counter polarisation of communities that were antagonistic with regard to the Patidars but were in the Congress camp, who voted for the BJP," explained the senior BJP leader. The AAP hopes to leverage this counter polarisation for its own gain.

"The AAP very clearly thinks that the vote bases of the Congress and the BJP, barring any hugely emotional issues, are not truly transferable to each other. But as a new force, with no political baggage of the past, it could provide a home for voters from both parties who are looking for a change," observed the BJP leader.

In this set piece that is emerging, the jury is still out on whether the AAP will score well or at all.

### Surprised that Karan Singh didn't counter Rijiju: Jairam

**The Hindu Bureau**
NEW DELHI

Congress general-secretary and communication head Jairam Ramesh on Thursday criticised his senior party colleague Karan Singh for "sidestepping" Union Law Minister Kiren Rijiju's remarks on Jawaharlal Nehru's role in Jammu & Kashmir's (J&K) accession to India.

Mr. Ramesh directed his comments at his colleague after Dr. Singh wrote an article in a daily, seeking to clarify the role of his father and the erstwhile ruler of J&K, Maharaja Hari Singh, in its accession to India.

"What I find surprising though is that Dr. Karan Singh has sidestepped Rijiju's hit job on Nehru. This the same Nehru without whose support Dr. Karan Singh wouldn't have achieved much," Mr. Ramesh said.

### Husband can reject *Khula* demand: Muslim Board

**Ziya Us Salam**
NEW DELHI

In a move likely to have far reaching ramifications, the All India Muslim Personal Law Board (AIMPLB) on Thursday pronounced that a Muslim woman does not enjoy a unilateral right to end her marriage through *Khula*. According to the Board, the husband reserves the right to accept or reject her demand for *Khula*.

The Board stated: "*Khula* is dependent on both husband and wife agreeing to end marriage after a woman initiates the proposal". "If the man does not agree, the woman has the right to go in for *faskh* or judicial divorce," Khalid Saifullah Rehmani, general secretary, AIMPLB, stated.

The Board's response comes in the wake of Kerala High Court verdict earlier this week wherein the court reiterated its stand of a Muslim woman's right to end marriage through *Khula*, a man enjoying no right to withhold his consent.

# India celebrates diversity and welcomes world's persecuted to its shores, says RSS leader

**Ishita Mishra**
NEW DELHI

Ram Madhav

India is set to overtake Indonesia as the country with the largest Muslim population, Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) leader Ram Madhav said on Thursday. He said that India celebrates diversity and welcomes the world's persecuted to its shores.

He was speaking at Religion-20 (R-20), a global summit of religious leaders being held parallel to the G-20 summit, which is being hosted by Indonesia this year. Next year, when India will hold the Presidency of the G-20, it intends to also host the R-20, Mr. Madhav announced.

"We have 180 million Muslims in India, 25 million Christians. The projections say that in 2030, India's Muslim population will be equal to that of Indonesia and by the end of 2050, we will be the world's largest Muslim population with 310 million Muslims in India", he said. The RSS leader emphasised that India is a country that doesn't just tolerate or respect diversity but celebrates it, noting that Indian Muslims have held the roles of President, Vice- President and Chief Justice. India gives absolute respect to all religions and diversities, he said.

**Mosaic of religion**

"India is a mosaic of religion and mother ship of spirituality. India is a country where all religions of the world exists and lives far from the persecution,"he said. All those who are persecuted came to India and continue to come here for shelter, he said.

Terming the summit as 'significant' and 'unique', he hailed the initiative and said that it had unleashed a tectonic force by bringing together leaders of all the important world religions to discuss the important issues of 21st century.

"It's not just a religion-centric event but a humanity-centric event. Here, we brainstorm challenges like climate change, terrorism, wars, disharmony, hunger, poverty. These issues require the attention of spiritual, cultural, and religious leaders apart from the leaders of the government," he said.

"Today, we are busy quarrelling among ourselves. The religions are quarrelling. This is why politicians, economists and technocrats are the new popes of the world. We should be pondering this big challenge," Mr. Madhav added.

# Just arrest me if I'm guilty, Soren tells ED

**The Hindu Bureau**
DELHI/PATNA

Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren has asked the Enforcement Directorate (ED) to give him three more weeks to record his statement in connection with a money-laundering investigation into an illegal mining case, and dared the agency to arrest him directly instead of questioning him.

He had been summoned to appear at the ED's Ranchi office on Thursday, but said he had to attend the Adivasi Nritya Mahotsav in Chhattisgarh's Raipur instead. "If I've committed any wrong and am guilty, why questioning? Just come and arrest me, if you can," he said, while addressing a group of Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) workers outside his official residence in Ranchi. The State's BJP leaders, however, said that if the CM had not done anything wrong, he should not be afraid of facing the investigating agency.

Mr. Soren alleged that the ED summons was a ploy to harass a tribal CM and destabilise a democratically elected government, but insisted that he was not scared of the ED or the CBI.

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## INBRIEF

### External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar to visit Moscow

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar will visit Moscow on November 7 and 8, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) announced on Thursday. He will meet his Russian counterpart, Sergei Lavrov, to discuss various developments, the MEA's Arindam Bagchi, said. He will also meet Deputy Prime Minister of the Russian Federation and Minister of Trade and Industry, Denis Manturov, his counterpart for the India-Russia Inter-Governmental Commission, said the release. This comes ahead of the G20 summit.

### India abstains on resolution on Ukraine at UNSC meet

India has abstained on yet another resolution involving Ukraine, this time a motion sponsored by Russia at the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) that sought to establish a commission to investigate claims by Moscow that the U.S. and Ukraine are carrying out "military biological activities" in laboratories in Ukraine in violation of the biological weapons convention (BWC). The resolution failed to get adopted on November 3 as only two Council members – Russia and China – voted in its favour.

### Amazon India seeks 10 days to reply to NCPCR notice

Amazon India has informed the national child rights body that it had no information regarding funding to the All India Mission which was involved in "unlawful activities" and would get the same from its office in the United States. They sought 10 days' time for providing the information sought by the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR). NCPCR chairperson Priyank Kanungo said three representatives of Amazon India had informed funding was governed by the Amazon U.S. office.

### Army registers IPR of design for new combat uniform

The Army has obtained the Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) for its new combat uniform and is also training civil and military tailors for stitching as per the specified design. The process for registration of the new camouflage pattern and design to establish ownership has been completed by the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trademark, Kolkata, the Army said on Thursday. "The exclusive IPR of the Design and Camouflage Pattern now rests solely with the Indian Army," the Army said in a statement.

# India will insist on action, clear framework at COP27

Environment Minister says that clarity will be sought on climate finance and technology transfer from developed countries, while more support will be offered to developing countries

**Jacob Koshy**
NEW DELHI

India will insist on "action" and a clear pathway that developed countries must follow to deliver long-promised finance to developing countries for adapting to climate change threats, Bhupender Yadav, Minister for Environment, Forests and Climate Change, said on Thursday, ahead of the 27th edition of the United Nations Conference of Parties (COP) in Sharm-El-Shaikh, Egypt that begins on November 7.

"This ought to be a COP for action. We will seek clarity on climate finance, technology transfer and clear definitions of what constitutes climate finance. There are several claims made on funds being given by the West but loans and grants must be clearly differentiated. We will make a strong case for this, this time," Mr. Yadav told reporters.

**Green pledge:** At COP26 held in Glasgow, India had made commitments to reduce emissions. AP

Several world leaders, including U.S. President Joe Biden and the U.K. Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, are likely to attend the two-week-long summit. However, it is unclear if Prime Minister Narendra Modi will attend. A world leaders' summit is expected on November 7.

Close to $100 billion annually has been promised to developing countries since 2008 for adapting and mitigating climate change but only a fraction has actually been made available, India and several other countries have maintained through the years.

India would also support initiatives that provide technical assistance to developing countries for averting, and minimising loss and damage due to the impacts of climate change, and insist on an institutional network to realise these.

There will be an India pavilion in Sharm-El-Sheikh themed on LIFE (Lifestyle for Environment), a theme frequently articulated by Mr. Modi.

# Oppn. protests move to omit 'Centre-State relations' from agenda

**Sobhana K. Nair**
NEW DELHI

At a meeting of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs, according to the sources, members of the Opposition protested against the decision to drop Centre-State relations from the agenda of deliberations for the coming year.

A bulletin issued by the Rajya Sabha secretariat in October lists six subjects – Prison - Conditions, Infrastructure and Reforms, Border Management, Disaster Management, Functioning of Union Territories, Implementation of Centrally sponsored schemes and projects in North Eastern States, and Challenges to internal security and India's preparedness.

Centre-State relations, according to the members, was on the table before the committee's recent reshuffle in September this year. In the reshuffle, Congress MP Abhishek Manu Singhvi was replaced as the chairperson by BJP MP Brijlal (Uttar Pradesh).

It is within the remit of a reconstituted panel to decide the agenda afresh. On October 18, the panel met for the first time under its new chairperson. According to sources, TMC members wrote to the chairperson, urging him to include Centre-State relations in the listed agenda. However, this advice was not taken and the topic was missing in the October 21 bulletin. Omitting the issue has created a debate among panel members on Thursday. While TMC member Derek O'Brien flagged the issue, he was supported by others too.

# No other country has the *locus standi* to speak on Kashmir, stresses MEA

**Suhasini Haidar**
NEW DELHI

**Ministry responds to China-Pak. statement that criticised 'politicisation' of counter-terror issues**

Issuing a detailed response to the China-Pakistan joint statement that was issued during Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's visit to Beijing on Wednesday, New Delhi said on Thursday that references to Jammu & Kashmir were "unwarranted". It also criticised plans to build more projects in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (POK), with possible extensions to Afghanistan, under the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC).

"CPEC includes projects on the sovereign territory of India under forcible and illegal external occupation... Any attempts to involve third parties in such activities are inherently illegal, illegitimate and unacceptable, and will be treated as such by us," Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) spokesperson Arindam Bagchi, calling the infrastructure projects an attempt to "change the *status quo*" in POK.

After the Sharif-Li talks, the joint statement issued in Beijing on Wednesday, also called for "sincere dialogue" to resolve the Jammu & Kashmir dispute, and said the resolution should be based on "the UN Charter, relevant UN Security Council resolutions and bilateral agreements".

"The Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir and the Union Territory of Ladakh are and always will be integral and inalienable parts of India. No other country has *locus standi* to comment on the same," Mr. Bagchi said, slamming the references, particularly to the UN Security Council resolutions, that India has "consistently" rejected.

In another contentious reference, the China-Pakistan joint statement criticised the "politicisation" of counter-terror issues, a possible reference to India's attempts at terror designations at the UNSC.

Apart from the stand-off at the LAC, India-China relations are under strain due to China's decision to place "holds" on India's designation proposals for five Pakistan-based Lashkar-e-Taiba and Jaish-e-Mohammad commanders on the UNSC 1267 list of terrorists. In response to questions about the statement, Mr. Bagchi said India has made its position on the terror listings, and expectations from Pakistan on terrorism quite clear.

# Mere possession of *jihadi* literature not an offence: NIA court

**Ishita Mishra**
NEW DELHI

Possessing *jihadi* literature is not a crime unless its philosophy was executed for terrorist purposes, a special National Investigation Agency (NIA) court said on Monday.

The court's observation was made while framing charges against 11 people accused of online propogation of ISIS ideology, in a case registered by the NIA under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA). "Further, to hold that mere possession of Jihadi literature having a particular religious philosophy would amount to an offence, though such literature is not expressly or specifically banned under any provision of law, is not fathomable in law unless and until there is material about execution of such philosophy so as to do terrorist acts," said the court's order, a copy of which is with *The Hindu*.

The accused were from Kerala, Karnataka and Kashmir. Judge Dharmesh Sharma acquitted one of the 11 accused from all charges. The main accused had died. The other nine accused were booked under Section 120 B of the Indian Penal Code (IPC), read with Section 2(o) and Section 13, along with Sections 38 and 39 of the UAPA. The court refused to frame charges against the accused under Section 121 A of the IPC, observing that there was no evidence that any of them were conspiring to wage war against the government of India.

While pronouncing the framing of charges, the court said that although each one of the accused has probably been aspiring to become a member of ISIS, none of them has yet been an active member of any such organisation.

# Centre urges Canada to ban 'anti-India' organisations

**Suhasini Haidar**
NEW DELHI

Stepping up pressure on Canada to stop the upcoming November 6 "Khalistan referendum", India on Thursday called on the Trudeau government to ban the organisations behind it, in line with India's own terrorist listings.

"We find it deeply objectionable that politically motivated exercises by extremist elements are allowed to take place in a friendly country. You are all aware of the history of violence in this regard," said MEA spokesperson Arindam Bagchi.

"We will continue to press the Government of Canada on this matter, and call upon them to prevent anti-India activities by individuals and groups based in their country," Mr. Bagchi added, referring to the second round of a "referendum" organised by the Sikhs For Justice group.

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## INBRIEF

### Two non-local workers shot at, injured in Anantnag

Two non-local workers were shot at and injured by militants in south Kashmir's Anantnag on Thursday evening. Earlier in the day, one infiltrator was killed near the Line of Control in the Poonch district at Pir Panjal valley. A police spokesman said terrorist fired upon two outside labourers, one from Bihar and another from Nepal. "Both of them were shifted to hospital," the police said. The non-locals were working in a private school in Anantnag's Bondialgam. Earlier in the day, one infiltrator was killed as the Army spotted a group of individuals near the Line of Control (LoC) in the Pir Panjal valley's Poonch district. The operation continued and the search of the area was under progress, the Army added.

### SC to pronounce judgment in appeals by EPFO today

The Supreme Court on Friday will pronounce its judgment in appeals filed by the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) against a decision of the Kerala High Court setting aside amendments on "determination of pensionable salary" under the Employees Pension Scheme (EPS) of 1995 as "ultra vires". The case was heard by a Bench of Chief Justice U.U. Lalit, Justices Aniruddha Bose and Sudhanshu Dhulia. According to senior advocate Aryama Sundaram, who argued for the EPFO, the High Court judgment would effectively mean that every private sector employee should be paid a pension irrespective of their salary limit.

### Army hands over 4 explosive detection dogs to Cambodia

As part of the defence cooperation with Cambodia, the Indian Army transported four Explosive Detection (ED) dogs through a civil flight from New Delhi to Phnom Penh on October 24. The dogs were sent along the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces (RCAF) personnel who completed a four-weeks training at Remount and Veterinary Corps Centre in Meerut from September 26 to October 23, an official said. The RCAF has received similar dogs from the Indian Army earlier too. "Fifteen dogs were gifted in 2016; these four dogs were approved for gifting after the pandemic," said an official.

### Omicron can evade vaccine immunity, says ICMR study

Omicron, a variant of SARS-CoV-2, can evade immunity provided by vaccines, states a new study published by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR). It points to the need to further explore the Omicron variant's immune evasion properties, which may be essential in planning for vaccine advocacy in the future in India. The study, undertaken by ICMR's Regional Medical Research Centre (ICMR-RMRC), Gorakhpur, and the maximum containment facility of the National Institute of Virology (ICMR-NIV), Pune, also advocates for universal administration of third or precautionary doses across all age groups irrespective of comorbidity status.

### SC upholds death penalty of Red Fort attack convict

**The Hindu Bureau**
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court, for the second time, dismissed a petition by death row convict Mohammed Arif alias Ashfaq to review the capital punishment awarded to him in the Red Fort attack case of 2000.

A three-judge Bench led by Chief Justice of India U.U. Lalit, in its judgment on Thursday, called the terrorist incident a "direct attack on the unity, integrity and sovereignty of India".

Intruders had sneaked into the Red Fort complex on the night of December 22, 2000 and opened fire on security personnel. Three soldiers lost their lives in the attack.

Ashfaq was found guilty in the 2005 attack and was sentenced to death. Subsequent appeals in the Delhi High Court and the Supreme Court had failed. Earlier review petitions to reverse the death penalty were also unsuccessful.

Dismissing Ashfaq's review petition, the judgment found no force in Ashfaq's arguments that call records were inadmissible as evidence.

# Decline in pre-primary enrolments continued in 2021-22, says govt. report

**It shows 30% fewer students were admitted in these classes as compared to pre-pandemic period; numbers dwindled in primary classes too; total number of schools and teachers also saw a drop**

**Jagriti Chandra**
NEW DELHI

The number of children entering pre-primary classes in 2021-2022 saw a further decline, resulting in 30% fewer students in this school section as compared to pre-Covid as younger students with less access to remote learning continue to bear the biggest brunt of learning loss during the pandemic, according to a report released by the Ministry of Education.

A total of 94.95 lakh students entered pre-primary classes in 2021-2022, registering a drop of 10% as compared to the previous year when 1.06 crore children enrolled in these classes. However, in 2020-2021, there was already a decline of 21% enrolment in pre-primary classes as compared to 1.35 crore the year before due to school closures and classrooms moving online, according to the Unified District Information System for Education Plus report on school education.

Enrolment in primary classes, which include classes 1 to 5, also saw a drop for the first time, falling from 12.20 lakh in 2020-2021 to 12.18 lakh in 2021-2022. However, the total number of students from primary to higher secondary increased by 19 lakh to 25.57 crore.

Also for the first time since the pandemic, the report records a decline in number of schools due to closures as well as a lack of teachers. There were 20,000 fewer schools in 2021-2022 as the total number of schools dropped from 15.09 lakh to 14.89 lakh.

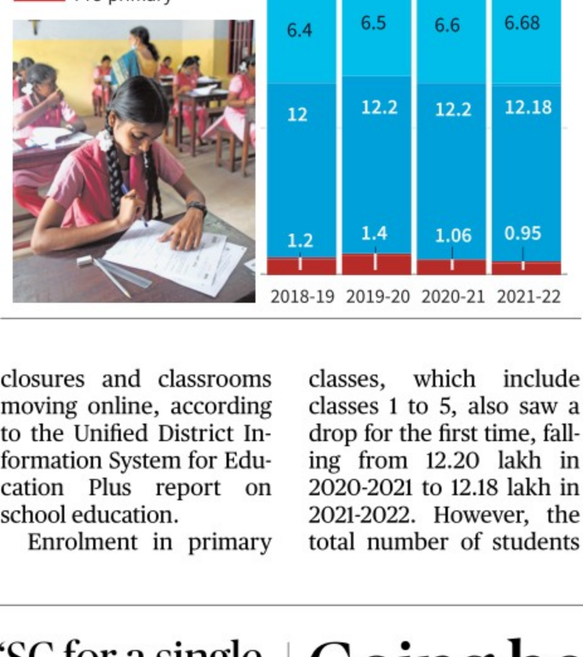
There were also 1.89 lakh or 1.98% fewer teachers as their number reduced from 96.96 lakh in 2020-2021 to 95.07 lakh in 2021-2022.

Computer facilities were available in 44.75% of schools, while Internet access was available only in 33.9% of schools. However, their availability has improved as compared to pre-Covid when only 38.5% of schools had computers and 22.3% had Internet facilities.

**Class strength**

The total number of students from primary to higher secondary increased to 25.57 crores in 2021-22. The chart shows enrolment (in crores) in different levels of education

Source: UDISE+




### Seven toppers in latest index on school education

**The Hindu Bureau**
NEW DELHI

Gujarat is now among the top performers in school education, according to an index released by the Ministry of Education.

Though no State found a place in the top grade, Gujarat, Rajasthan and Andhra Pradesh have joined Kerala, Punjab, Chandigarh, and Maharashtra categorised under Level 2 with a score of 901 to 950 out of a total score of 1,000.

The Performance Grading Index of the Ministry of Education classifies States and Union Territories into 10 grades based on their score out of a total 1,000 points.

Their performance is assessed on a total of 70 indicators in five domains, which are learning outcome, access, infrastructure and facilities, equity and governance process.

A total of 12 States and UTs, including National Capital Territory of Delhi, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Odisha, attained Level 3 with a score between 851-900. No State figured in the bottom three grades.

## Child Welfare Police Officers a must in all police stations

**S. Vijay Kumar**
CHENNAI

**Commission has also requested setting up of a Special Juvenile Police Unit in each district and city**

The Ministry of Home Affairs has asked the States/Union Territories to appoint a Child Welfare Police Officer (CWPO) in every police station to exclusively deal with children, either as victims or perpetrators.

Acting on an advisory issued by the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights, the Home Ministry referred to provisions under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, which calls for designating at least one officer, not below the rank of an Assistant Sub-Inspector, as CWPO in every station.

In a note to all Directors-General of Police, the Home Ministry said the Commission had further requested that a Special Juvenile Police Unit in each district and city, which is headed by an officer not below the rank of a Deputy Superintendent of Police, be established.

The unit would comprise CWPOs and two social workers having experience of working in the field of child welfare, of whom one shall be a woman, to co-ordinate all functions of police in relation to children. The contact particulars of the CWPOs should be displayed in all police stations for the public to contact, sources in the Tamil Nadu police quoting the advisory said on Thursday.

The advisory comes in the backdrop of increasing number of crimes against children, including murders and offences under the POCSO Act.

## 'SC for a single platform for live-streaming all the courts'

**The Hindu Bureau**
NEW DELHI

"The Supreme Court is working hard to institutionalise live-streaming of court proceedings and frame a uniform and national model," Chief Justice of India-designate, Justice D.Y. Chandrachud said on Thursday.

Justice Chandrachud, heading a Bench with Justice Hima Kohli, said efforts are on to set up a national infrastructure where proceedings in all courts, from subordinate courts to High Courts and the Supreme Court, can be beamed live from a single platform.

"We need a uniform framework for courts across the country... This has to be done as a national model," Justice Chandrachud said.

The Bench was hearing a petition filed by advocate Mathews Nedumpara on live-streaming of proceedings.

## Going beyond Amur falcons: Nagaland to celebrate avian diversity, undertake census

**The Hindu Bureau**
GUWAHATI

Nagaland is undertaking the first avian documentation exercise going beyond the Amur falcons, the migratory raptor that put the State on the world birding map.

The four-day Tokhü Emong Bird Count (TEBC) from Friday has been timed with the post-harvest Tokhü Emong festival of the Lothas, the Naga community that dominates Wokha district, arguably the most preferred stopover of the Amur falcons while travelling from east Asia to southern Africa.

The event is a collaboration among the Wokha Forest Division, the Divisional Management Unit of the Nagaland Forest Management Project (NFMP) and Bird Count India.

"Amur falcons put Nagaland on the world birding map. However, the communities here can do more than just Amur falcon conservation. This event is organised to make each one of us feel proud of the birdlife and nature that we have," Chenibemo Odyuo of NFMP's Foundation for Ecological Security, based in Phek, said.

**High spirits:** The four-day exercise coincides with Tokhü Emong festival. RITU RAJ KONWAR

"Nagaland is a State with diverse festivals and diverse birdlife. The TEBC is the first of initiatives where the community is encouraged to celebrate the festival with birds," Lansothung Lotha, Range Forest Officer of the Wokha Forest Division said.

"We expect more such festivals in the future where people connect with nature and also help in documenting the rich avifauna in a landscape that still remains to be explored and documented," he added.

Pia Sethi of the Centre for Ecology, Development and Research said initiatives such as the TEBC are particularly important for the northeast, where rich bird diversity is threatened by habitat loss and hunting.

The exercise entails watching and counting birds on any or all days from November 4-7 from anywhere in Nagaland for at least 15 minutes and uploading the avian names on eBird (www.ebird.org/india), the bird recording platform.

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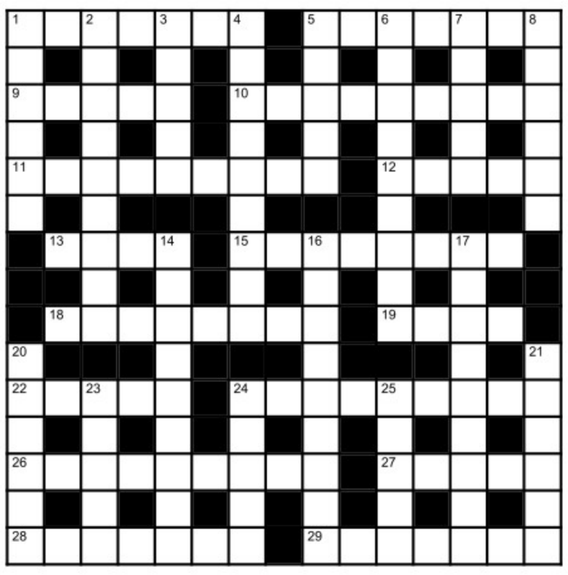

**Across**

1 Spirit of a country behind King (7)
5 Pound not even back in the group (7)
9 Egg on salt? (5)
10 Fruit can hide bitterness, it's sweet at the core (9)
11 Day one falls prey to a prank (5,4)
12 Sunday — both sides agree with the Church council (5)
13 Powder that rises amid all that clatter (4)
15 Happy without permit in the south of Scotland (8)
18 Struggle to get fish (8)
19 One, say ditches the Queen without feeling anything (4)
22 It goes before the fall of lions (5)
24 Fancy a helper? Accept me for short (9)
26 Happy to retain home in Europe, perhaps (9)
27 Monk to return with a leaderless group (5)
28 The odd runner in Asia is committed (7)
29 One got busy around the end of March, very busy (2,3,2)

**Down**

1 Know any movement in East Africa? (6)
2 Keen to provide for Trump's pet project they say (9)
3 Perfect inside a lounge (5)
4 Good facts about natural disasters, say (4,2,3)
5 Friend takes directions from board (5)
6 Sends word around — you can come in jeans (5,4)
7 Hunter's choice, no one came up (5)
8 Reportedly wants to make some bread (6)
14 Do some medical procedure in case child bearers are involved (9)
16 Almost fat, got the movement a bit slow (9)
17 Prepared a blade with edge pointing up, that's masterly (9)
20 Husband intervened quickly, he was brave (6)
21 Totally zonked by British lottery (6)
23 Private meals inside (5)
24 Set up before court (5)
25 Wished to have last of the bacon stuffed in ham, perhaps (5)

## SUDOKU

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## FAITH

### Devotion is vital

The start of great works begins with good words like 'Tapaswadhyaya' in Sri Ramayana and 'Dharmakshetre Kurukshetre' in Srimad Bhagavad Gita. Dhrutharashtra feels dejected over this because this is Dharmakshetra – a place of righteousness – and he says whereas my sons are unrighteous, wicked, evil-minded, no place for them here and they may be destroyed.

When a person pins faith in God and prays Him, the bhakthi in him develops. The person will inculcate good qualities, worship Him continuously and derive His blessings. Should we then learn vedas, sastras undertake penance, give charity and practice such other deeds or can practising of bhakthi alone be enough? The learning of Vedas/Sastras, practising of penance/giving away charity and all other acts without bhakthi may yield results not lasting for long. They may not develop the very bhakthi. But practising of bhakthi may make a person get all the above good deeds.

Ravana was a great Vedic scholar. Hiranyakasipu was performing severe penance. Karna was known for charity. But they all did these without bhakthi. So they were bereft of His blessings. Arjuna did not learn Vedas like Ravana nor did he undergo such a severe penance as Hiranyakasipu. But the unshaken faith and the deep devotion that Arjuna had with Lord Krishna enabled him conquer in the war. Lord Krishna made Arjuna seat along with him in the chariot. The Bhagavad Gita is considered as Brahma Vidya coeval to Upanishads. It dwells in more about liberation from attachment, desires and worries, said Sri Krishna Premi swamigal in a discourse.

JUBA

## Millions at risk of hunger in South Sudan, says United Nations report

Almost eight million people in South Sudan, or two thirds of the population in the country, are at risk of hunger, the United Nations warned in a report on Thursday. One of the world's poorest nations, South Sudan has spent more than half of its life as a nation at war, with nearly 4,00,000 people dying during the civil war. REUTERS

SEOUL

## North Korea keeps up its missile barrage with launch of ICBM

Japan says North Korea fired at least four missiles into the sea on Thursday. The launch came after North Korea threatened to retaliate over a decision by the South Korean and U.S. militaries to extend large-scale joint aerial exercises in response to the North's ramped-up testing activity. AFP

DAR ES SALAAM

## Multiple fires continue to ravage Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania

Multiple fires on Mount Kilimanjaro have ravaged vegetation and wildlife, Tanzania's Prime Minister Kassim Majaliwa said on Thursday as hundreds of soldiers and volunteers try to defuse the blaze that broke out two weeks ago. The fire started on October 21 near the Karanga site, at about 4,000 m altitude. REUTERS

PARIS

## Wealthy nations failed to provide pledged $100 bn in climate funds

Climate changes battering vulnerable countries threaten to outstrip efforts to adapt to global warming, the UN warned on Thursday. Wealthy nations have failed to provide a pledged $100 billion a year to developing nations, reaching just $83 billion in 2020. Only a part of that — $29 billion — was for adaptation. REUTERS

# Netanyahu, allies secure victory in Israel election

**The right-wing bloc wins 64 seats, with 32 seats for Netanyahu's Likud party, 18 for ultra-Orthodox parties and 14 for far-right Religious Zionism alliance; Yair Lapid's centrist bloc secures 51 seats**

Agence France-Presse
JERUSALEM

Former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his right-wing allies secured a clear victory and a majority in Parliament following elections two days ago, Israel's electoral commission said on Thursday.

Results released by the electoral commission said that with 99% of votes counted, Mr. Netanyahu and his far-right allies had secured a majority.

With 32 seats for Mr. Netanyahu's Likud party, 18 for ultra-Orthodox parties and 14 for a far-right alliance called Religious Zionism, the right-wing bloc won a total of 64 seats, while caretaker Prime Minister Yair Lapid's centrist bloc won 51 seats.

The commission added that the official and final results would be presented to Israel's President on Wednesday.

**Victory wave:** Israeli far-right lawmaker and the head of 'Jewish Power' party, Itamar Ben-Gvir, waves the Israel flag after first exit poll results for the Israeli Parliamentary election in Jerusalem. AP

Mr. Lapid called his rival Mr. Netanyahu to congratulate him on Thursday. Mr. Lapid's concession sets the former premier up to form what may be the most right-wing government in Israeli history, while also spelling the end of an unprecedented period of political deadlock.

The 73-year-old Netanyahu secured his comeback after 14 months in the Opposition. He remains on trial over corruption allegations, which he denies, with the case returning to court on Monday.

Mr. Netanyahu has already begun talks with coalition partners on the make-up of a new government, Israeli media reported, but there was no immediate confirmation from his Likud party.

## 4 Palestinians killed by Israel forces amid violence spike

Agence France-Presse
JENIN

Four Palestinians were killed by Israeli forces on Thursday, including an alleged attacker and medics, security officials said, as violence flared across Israeli-annexed east Jerusalem and the occupied West Bank. Two Palestinians were shot dead by Israeli forces in Jenin, while four others suffered gunshot wounds, the Palestinian Health Ministry said. The deaths were announced as the Israeli Army said it was carrying out a raid in the northern West Bank city. A fourth Palestinian was killed earlier on Thursday in clashes with Israeli forces northwest of Jerusalem.

The UN terms this the deadliest period in years in the West Bank.

# Russia warns U.K. over drone attacks at its Black Sea fleet

Agence France-Presse
MOSCOW

Russia on Thursday summoned the U.K. Ambassador and warned London of "dangerous consequences" after accusing Britain of helping Kyiv carry out an attack on Moscow's Black Sea fleet in Crimea last week.

"Such confrontational actions of the English carry a threat of escalation of the situation and could lead to unpredictable and dangerous consequences," the Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

Moscow said it had delivered a "strong protest" to U.K. Ambassador Deborah Bronnert. It claimed British forces were training Ukrainian special services, including for "sabotage operations at sea".

Deborah Bronnert

On Saturday, Russia accused the U.K. of helping Kyiv orchestrate a drone attack on its ships in the port of Sevastopol in Moscow-annexed Crimea.

**'Concrete facts'**

Bronnert arrived at Moscow's towering Soviet-era Foreign Ministry building, with a line of people chanting 'Britain is a terrorist state', state media showed. The Foreign Ministry said it had handed "concrete facts" of London's "hostile provocations" to her.

"A demand was put forward to stop them immediately," it said.

Moscow claimed U.K. military specialists were training Ukrainian special forces in the southern city of Ochakiv, "including training for underwater saboteurs for operations in the waters of the Black and Azov seas".

Russia last week also accused the U.K. of being implicated in explosions on the Nord Stream pipelines in September.

The U.K. says these are "false claims on an epic scale". Relations between London and Moscow have been degrading for years. Russia considers the U.K., one of Ukraine's strongest backers, as one of the most unfriendly Western countries.

# Italy's far-right PM Meloni to meet EU chiefs in Brussels

Agence France-Presse
ROME

Italy's far-right Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni meets EU chiefs in Brussels on Thursday for the first time since her election, with the energy crisis expected to dominate the agenda. Nationalist Meloni has vowed to put Italy's interests first, and the trip will be closely watched amid fears of turbulent relations ahead between Ms. Meloni's populist government in Rome and the bloc's powerhouses.

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Ms. Meloni's tone towards Europe has been more conciliatory recently, despite once calling for Italy to scrap the euro, but in a book to be published on Friday she slams "a Europe that is invasive in small things and absent in big matters". In her first international trip since taking office, Ms. Meloni will meet European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen, among others.

## $1 mn reward for Indian suspect

Press Trust of India
MELBOURNE

Australian police on Thursday announced a record one million dollar reward for any information to arrest an Indian nurse, Rajwinder Singh, 38, who fled to India after allegedly murdering a 24-year-old Toyah Cordingley on a beach in Queensland in 2018.

# Abiy says Ethiopia got '100%' in peace deal with Tigray rebels

Agence France-Presse
ADDIS ABABA

Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed said on Thursday that his government had secured "100%" of what it sought in negotiations with Tigrayan rebels.

Speaking before a crowd of supporters in the town of Arba Minch in southern Ethiopia, Abiy said the government had scored a victory in the deal, reached in Pretoria under African Union auspices.

"In the negotiations, 100% of the ideas Ethiopia has proposed have been accepted," he said.

The deal was announced almost exactly two years to the day since the war erupted on November 4, 2020 between federal forces and the Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF), which dominated Ethiopian politics for nearly three decades.

According to a joint statement, the agreement includes provisions for the disarmament of TPLF fighters and a public "commitment to safeguarding the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ethiopia" – a key demand by the government.

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**Short Term Tender Notification**

The Executive Engineer, Public works department. Division,Gadag invites itemwise tenders from eligible tenderers of **13** work of total amount of Rs. **370.17** Lakh (Min estimate amount Rs. **0.81** Lakhs to Max Estimate Amount **300.00** Lakhs) for the Different Head of account on behalf of the Hon'able Governor of Karnataka as per Standard Bid Document KW-1, 2 and 4 through e-procurement. - http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in/
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The tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in clause 3 of the instructions to tenderers to qualify for award of the contract. For further information contact the office of The Executive Engineer, PWD Division Gadag (08372-238782) during office hours.
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**Notice Inviting Bid No -06/2022-23**
**NIB Code PWD2223A2488**
Bids for **Construction of various road under Deposit head** are invited from interested bidders upto **6.00 PM, 23 November 2022.** Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal **(http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.raj.nic.in)** of the state; and PWD departmental website. The approximate value of the procurement is **Rs 924 Lacs**
**UBN :**

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| 1 | PWD2223WSOB09741 | 2 | PWD2223WSOB09742 | 3 | PWD2223WSOB09743 |

**( Kapil Verma )**
**Superintending Engineer**
**PWD Circle Sirohi**
DIPR/C/13806

**ODISHA STATE SEEDS CORPORATION LIMITED**
**( A GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKING )**
**SANTARAPUR, BHUBANESWAR- 751002.**
Tel-MD 0674- 2340573, Fax-2340096, Website - http://www.osscltd.in

**Short e-Tender Call Notice**
**INVITATION FOR BIDS No-OSSC/MKTG-30/2022**
**FOR PURCHASE OF VEGETABLE SEED MINIKITS FOR RABI 2022-23 SEASON**

Managing Director, Odisha State Seeds Corporation Ltd. invites e-tender in ONLINE MODE from **Seed Producers and in case of GOI PSUs (their authorized Agencies)** on Item Wise Rate Contact basis in Double Cover System for ***Purchase of Vegetable Seed Mini-kits with Certified Seed only.***

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| 1. | Name of work | Purchase of Vegetable Seed Minikits |
| 2. | No. of work | 01 no. |
| 3. | Availability of Bid Document in Portal | 15.00 hours on dt. 04.11.2022 to 12.15 hours on dt. 14.11.2022 |
| 4. | Last date of receipt of tender in portal | 12.15 hours on dt. 14.11.2022 |
| 5. | Date and Time of Opening of Bid | 12.30 hours on dt. 14.11.2022 |

Further the details can be seen from the website **https://tendersodisha.gov.in**. Any addendum/corrigendum/cancellation can also be seen in the said website. OSSC Ltd reserves the right to accept or reject the tender without assigning any reason thereof.
**Sd/- B Nayak, OAS(SAG)**
**Managing Director, OSSC Ltd, BBSR**
CAD-2411 : OIPR-01106/11/0006/2223

**Govt.of Karnataka**
**Office of the Executive Engineer,**
**Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation,**
**Division Vijayapur**
**Tel.No:08352-277941, E-mail: eerdwsd.bjp@gmail.com**
No:EE/RdWSD/VJP/eproc/Tender/2022-23/1267 Dated:02.11.2022

**E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION SHORT TERM**

**On behalf of Governor of Govt. of Karnataka Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking water and sanitation division, Vijayapur has** invited tender through E-procurement Portal for water supply works under different head of accounts as follows.
**Single cover** Work reserved for following category contractor
**For Gen Contractor -20**
**For SC Contractor -08**
**For ST Contractor -05**
Last date for submission of online tender through e-proc. is **19.11.2022 at 5.30 PM,** Date of opening of Financial bid is **21.11.2022 at 11.00 AM.**
**Two Cover** : 55 Works
Last date for submission of online tender through e-proc. is **19.11.2022 at 5.30 PM** Date of opening of Technical bid is **21.11.2022 at 11.00 AM**. Date of opening of Financial bid is **23.11.2022 at 11.00 AM.**
More details can be have from the office of the undersigned and also through http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in
**Sd/- (Chandrashekar V Chavan)**
**Executive Engineer, RDW & S Division, Vijayapur**
ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ವಿಜಯಪುರ/506/ಎಂಸಿಎ/2022–23

**KARNATAKA STATE POLICE HOUSING & INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED**
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
# 59, Richmond Road, (Gen K.S. Thimmaiah Road)
Bengaluru-25 Ph: 080 – 25584102/25594893
Website: www.ksphc.org e-mail : eecontractksphc@gmail.com
**No. EE/KSPH&IDCL/CNT/TND/07/2022-23/214 Date: 02.11.2022**

**NOTICE INVITING TENDER**

**KSPH & IDCL** invites online tender as per KTTP 2000 Act & as per Standard Tender Document KW-3 & 4 through e-procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** (two tender document system) for the following works:

1. Construction of Shivajinagara Traffic Police Station, Bangalore. (APT Rs. 192.30 Lakhs.)
2. Construction of Police Station at Narona in Kalaburagi District.(APT Rs. 122.70 Lakhs)
3. Construction of Police Station at Budikote in KGF, Kolar District (APT Rs. 168.90 Lakhs)
4. Construction of Bantwala Traffic Police Station in DK District. (APT Rs. 234.55. Lakhs)
5. Construction of Police Station at Anandapura in Shimoga District.(APT Rs. 135.20 Lakhs)
6. Construction of DYSP Office, CPI Office and Auditorium in Channapatna in Ramanagara District. (APT Rs. 98.70 Lakhs)

The interested eligible contractors may participate in the tendering process
The details such as Tender Fee, EMD, tender documents etc., are available on e-Procurement Portal from 10.11.2022.
"KSPH & IDCL reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids without assigning any reasons."
**Note : Henceforth any changes / modifications in the tender will be updated only on e- Procurement portal.**
**Sd/-**
DIPR/CP/2904/AKAR/22-23 **Executive Engineer – Contracts**

## INBRIEF

### Vodafone Idea Q2 loss widens to ₹7,596 crore; ARPU climbs

Debt-ridden telecom operator Vodafone Idea on Thursday reported second-quarter consolidated loss widened to ₹7,595.5 crore, from ₹7,132.3 crore in the year-earlier period. Service revenue, however, rose 12.8% to ₹10,614.6 crore. Average revenue per user (ARPU) grew 19.5% to ₹131, as the 4G subscriber base grew 15 lakh to 12 crore. Total gross debt, excluding lease liabilities and including interest accrued but not due, stood at ₹2,20,320 crore as on September 30. PTI

### Currency in circulation fell in Deepavali week: SBI report

The currency in circulation (CIC) declined by ₹7,600 crore in the Deepavali week, making it the first such happening in two decades, economists at SBI said in a report on Thursday. This was made possible, courtesy a greater reliance on digital payments by people, they said. The economists clarified that the Deepavali week in 2009 had also witnessed a marginal ₹950 crore decline in currency in circulation, but that was purely due to the economic slowdown. PTI

### Wipro names ex-Capgemini executive Choudhary as COO

Wipro on Thursday appointed Amit Choudhary as Chief Operating Officer and member of the Executive Board. Mr. Choudhary, who joins after a stint as a senior executive at Capgemini, will be responsible for improving organisational and operational efficiency and helping drive sustainable growth. He would work closely with Wipro's leadership teams on transformation initiatives to improve customer-centricity, the IT services provider said in a statement.

# October services PMI signals uptick on improved demand

Services firms hinted at stronger gains in new business and increased hiring amid strengthening demand last month, S&P Global India's monthly survey of business activity in the sector shows

**Press Trust of India**
NEW DELHI

India's services sector activities witnessed an upturn in October on the back of stronger gains in new business and increased hiring amid strengthening demand, a monthly survey showed.

The seasonally adjusted S&P Global India Services PMI Business Activity Index for October rose to 55.1, from September's six-month low of 54.3, pointing to a quicker and marked rate of growth.

The headline figure was above the neutral 50 threshold for the fifteenth straight month. .

"The October results show us that service providers had no trouble securing new work in October, despite lifting their charges again," said Pollyanna De Lima, Economics Associate Director at S&P Global Market Intelligence. "Hence, the sector remained firmly inside expansion territory as business activity and payroll numbers were raised to support strengthening demand," she added.

The domestic market was the main source of new business gains, as foreign sales decreased further at the start of the third quarter. "Monthly deteriorations in international demand have been registered since the onset of COVID-19 in March 2020," S&P Global noted.

Optimistic growth projections also boosted job creation in October, with 30% of survey members forecasting higher volumes of business activity by October 2023. Overall, confidence was at its highest level in just a little less than eight years.

**Domestic boost**

Services businesses increase hiring to meet improved demand

- Employment climbed for the fifth consecutive month in October
- Jobs were filled at the second-fastest pace in over three years
- Overall, confidence was at its highest level in just under eight years

# MPC meets to discuss report on missing inflation goal

**The Hindu Bureau**
MUMBAI

The Reserve Bank's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) held a meeting on Thursday to 'discuss and draft the report to be sent to the government' for missing the 2%-6% inflation target mandated by the MPC framework. The meeting was not part of the MPC's original schedule.

As inflation had exceeded the upper limit for three quarters ended September, the RBI is mandated to report to the government on reasons for the breach, with a roadmap to bring it below 6%.

Governor Shaktikanta Das had earlier said the RBI would not make public the contents of the letter.

## MARKETS

**MARKET WATCH**

| | THURSDAY | %CHANGE |
|---|---|---|
| Sensex | 60,836 | -0.11 |
| US Dollar | 82.88 | -0.09 |
| Gold | 50,597 | -0.72 |
| Brent oil | 95.19 | -1.08 |

**NIFTY 50**

| | PRICE | CHANGE |
|---|---|---|
| Adani Enter | 3590.40 | 9.70 |
| Adani Ports | 833.85 | 0.45 |
| Apollo Hosp | 4395.00 | 11.90 |
| Asian Paints | 3141.30 | 9.40 |
| Axis Bank | 864.05 | 0.50 |
| Bajaj Auto | 3773.50 | 36.70 |
| Bajaj Finserv | 1723.50 | 13.10 |
| Bajaj Finance | 7121.60 | -34.60 |
| Bharti Airtel | 818.65 | 8.80 |
| BPCL | 305.10 | -0.10 |
| Britannia Ind | 3748.05 | 24.10 |
| Cipla | 1163.10 | 3.85 |
| Coal India | 246.20 | 0.40 |
| Divis Lab | 3781.45 | 0.00 |
| Dr Reddys Lab | 4589.90 | 34.25 |
| Eicher Motors | 3675.25 | -53.95 |
| Grasim Ind | 1745.65 | -14.40 |
| HCL Tech | 1045.15 | -0.05 |
| HDFC | 2489.40 | -18.60 |
| HDFC Bank | 1507.55 | -6.65 |
| HDFC Life | 545.40 | 3.15 |
| Hero MotoCorp | 2646.35 | 2.40 |
| Hindalco | 410.35 | -10.95 |
| Hind Unilever | 2546.35 | 28.05 |
| ICICI Bank | 908.65 | 3.95 |
| IndusInd Bank | 1148.00 | 9.80 |
| Infosys | 1530.75 | -22.55 |
| ITC | 353.70 | -0.95 |
| JSW Steel | 680.20 | -4.00 |
| Kotak Bank | 1900.15 | -9.80 |
| L&T | 2008.70 | -4.60 |
| M&M | 1335.40 | -16.95 |
| Maruti Suzuki | 9239.10 | 9.70 |
| NestleIndia | 20423.45 | 36.10 |
| NTPC | 178.15 | -2.80 |
| ONGC | 136.40 | -0.05 |
| PowerGrid Corp | 228.05 | -5.25 |
| Reliance Ind | 2555.15 | 9.50 |
| SBI Life | 1276.05 | 3.40 |
| State Bank | 584.90 | 11.05 |
| Sun Pharma | 1044.20 | -7.75 |
| TataConsumerProduct | 762.75 | -5.30 |
| Tata Motors | 416.25 | -5.90 |
| Tata Steel | 102.00 | 0.75 |
| TCS | 3206.75 | -34.95 |
| Tech Mahindra | 1052.85 | -29.15 |
| Titan | 2763.65 | 35.20 |
| UltraTech Cement | 6728.25 | -51.65 |
| UPL | 726.20 | 8.65 |
| Wipro | 388.50 | -5.45 |

**EXCHANGE RATES**

Indicative direct rates in rupees a unit except yen at 4 p.m. on November 03

| CURRENCY | TT BUY | TT SELL |
|---|---|---|
| US Dollar | 82.68 | 83.00 |
| Euro | 80.51 | 80.82 |
| British Pound | 93.10 | 93.46 |
| Japanese Yen (100) | 55.74 | 55.96 |
| Chinese Yuan | 11.30 | 11.35 |
| Swiss Franc | 81.53 | 81.86 |
| Singapore Dollar | 58.12 | 58.36 |
| Canadian Dollar | 60.01 | 60.27 |
| Malaysian Ringitt | 17.42 | 17.50 |
| Australian Dollar | 51.98 | 52.19 |

Source:Indian Bank

# HDFC Q2 net profit rises 18% to ₹4,454 crore on interest income

**The Hindu Bureau**
MUMBAI

Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd. (HDFC) reported an 18% growth in standalone net profit to ₹4,454 crore for the second quarter ended September, due to a rise in Net Interest Income (NII) and improvement in asset quality.

NII climbed 13% to ₹4,639 crore. "The demand for home loans continues to remain strong," said Keki Mistry, vice chairman and CEO, HDFC.

Keki Mistry

"Growth in home loans was seen in both the mid-income segment as well as high end properties."

Assets under management (AUM) stood at ₹6,90,284 crore at the end of the quarter compared with ₹5,97,339 crore a year earlier. Individual loans comprised 81% of the AUM.

Gross individual non-performing loans (NPLs) ratio stood at 0.91%, while for non-individual loans, it stood at 3.99%.

Gross NPLs were ₹9,355 crore, equivalent to 1.59% of the loan portfolio as against 2.32% in December 2021, which was the first quarter in which RBI's new NPL norms took effect and the September 2021 numbers were hence not comparable, Mr. Mistry said.

# BoE lifts rates by 75 bps, most since 1989

**Reuters**
LONDON

The Bank of England raised interest rates to 3% on Thursday from 2.25%, its biggest rate increase since 1989, but it pushed back against expectations for further steep hikes, saying Britain faces a long and painful recession.

The pound slid briefly below $1.12 after the decision as the central bank said it "might" raise interest rates again, given a "very challenging" economic outlook.

The BoE forecasts inflation will hit a 40-year high of about 11% during the current quarter but it also thinks the British economy has already entered a recession that could last two years – longer than during the 2008-09 financial crisis.

The rise in borrowing costs – the biggest in 33 years apart from a failed attempt to support the pound on Black Wednesday in 1992 – was in line with economists' expectations, but not unanimous as two members dissented.

Ajit Mohan

## Meta India head Ajit Mohan quits

**The Hindu Bureau**
NEW DELHI

Meta, formerly Facebook, said its India head, Ajit Mohan, has stepped down.

He took over as VP and MD in early 2019.

Earlier, he was the CEO of video-streaming platform Hotstar. While Mr. Mohan is reported to be joining social-networking platform Snap Inc., it is yet to be confirmed.

# Indian Bank Q2 net rises 12% as it pares bad debt, provisions

**The Hindu Bureau**
CHENNAI

Indian Bank standalone net profit for the second quarter rose 12% year-on-year to ₹1,225 crore on recovery of bad debts, lower provisions, improvement in asset quality and a rise in fee-based income.

"We are firing on all cylinders," MD and CEO Shanti Lal Jain said. "Operating profit has grown by 11% and net profit by 12%. Cash recovery is ₹876 crore more than the slippages."

Projecting credit growth for the fiscal in the region of 12-13%, he said retail, agri, MSME (RAM) disbursements would grow more than 60%. Net interest income rose 15% to ₹4,684 crore while fee-based income climbed 18% to ₹723 crore. Net interest margin rose to 3.2% (2.89%).

> We are firing on all cylinders. Operating profit has grown by 11% and net profit by 12%
>
> **SHANTI LAL JAIN**
> MD and CEO

Provisions and contingencies fell to ₹2,059 crore from ₹2,547 crore, while provision coverage ratio rose to 91.08% (88.08%).

Gross NPAs slid to 7.3%, from 9.56% and net NPAs to 1.5%, from 3.26%.

# HPCL turned ₹2,172-cr. loss in Q2 as input costs surged

**The Hindu Bureau**
MUMBAI

Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (HPCL) turned a standalone net loss of ₹2,172 crore during the second quarter on higher input costs and depressed margins.

HPCL had recorded a net profit of ₹1,924 crore in the year-earlier period. Revenue from operations rose 30% to ₹1,14,172 crore.

"High input costs and consequent depressed marketing margins continued to impact profitability, resulting in a net loss of ₹2,172 crore during the quarter (after factoring in one-time grant towards LPG under-recoveries)," the company said.

**KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED**
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)
No: SEE/Tr(W&M)/MNG/EE(O)/AEE-(C)/F-1204-14-63/2022-23/CYS-35 Dt: 02.11.2022

**TENDER NOTIFICATION** (Through e-Procurement Portal Only)

KPTCL invites tenders through e-Procurement mode/ Office tender from registered KPWD Civil Contractors having EPF and ESI registration and fulfilling all other requirements as in NIT (of e-procurement), **for the execution of 6 Nos. of repair-capital-maintenance works (within Dakshina kannada-Udupi district jurisdiction).**

**Work indent No:** 9029 (4th Call), 9887 to 9890 and KPTCL/SEE/MC/EEO/AEEC/GHHK/01/29.10.2022 (All are 1st Call). Interested tenderers directly can access the tendering website **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** hyperlink **"e-procurement" https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from **05.11.2022** onwards for detailed NIT and to participate in the Tenders through e-procurement. Further details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

**Sd/- Superntending Engineer (Ele).,**
**Tr. (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Maroli, Kulshekara Post,**
**Mangaluru-575005. Ph: 0824-2211342**

**SOUTHERN RAILWAY**
**Construction Organisation, Ernakulam Jn.**
**E - Tender Notice No. E/CN/ERS/TN/05/2022-23 Dated 02.11.2022**

For and on behalf of The President of India, The Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer, Construction, Southern Railway, Ernakulam Junction-682016 invites E-tenders for the work mentioned below as per Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) in the portal **www.ireps.gov.in**. The tenderer/Contractors intending to apply for the tender needs to get enrolled in the portal **www.ireps.gov.in** and only online tenders will be accepted. The Bid Security should be paid through online payment gateway available on the website by the way of multiple banks net banking, debit and credit card.

1. **TENDER NOTICE No: E.572/CN/ERS/WC/OT/577**
**Name of Work:** Redevelopment of ERS station - Utility shifting - Electrical works for temporary arrangements in ERS station area. **Approx. Cash value in Lakhs: 41.887. Bid Security: ₹83,800. Date of Opening of tender: 24.11.2022 at 12.00 Hrs. Completion period in months: 24 months.**
2. **TENDER NOTICE No: E.320/CN/ERS/WC/OT/OHE-42**
**Name of Work:** Design, Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of Sub Sectioning Post with 25 kV A.C. supply at Virani Alur and Provision of PTFE neutral section for Traction Sub-Station at Eraniel in connection with doubling of tracks between Thiruvananthapuram - Kanniyakumari(via Nagercoil Jn) section in Trivandrum Division of Southern Railway. **Cash value in Lakhs: 234.585. Bid Security: ₹2,67,300. Date of Opening of tender: 24.11.2022 at 12.00 Hrs. Completion period in months: 12 months.**

Tenderers can submit Bid security in the form of bank guarantee also.

For further details visit internet site www.ireps.gov.in or contact office of **Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer, Construction, Southern Railway, Ernakulam Junction - 682 016.**

**Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer/Construction, Ernakulam Jn.**
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The general public is hereby informed that our client is considering purchase of property described in the Schedule below ("**Schedule Property**") from its owner, Mr R Nityanand son of Mr N Radhakrishnan, presently residing at No 232 Yvonnes Way, Dunn Loring, VA-22027, USA and having permanent address No 15/1 Landon's Road, Kilpauk, Chennai 600-010.

Any person, having any claim over any portion of the Schedule Property may lodge their objections or claims in writing with all supporting evidence by registered post with regard to such claims with the undersigned within 7 days hereof, failing which, our client will proceed to complete the transaction on the basis that there are no claims.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of the Apartment unit bearing No 1-F, on the Ground floor of the Apartment building Know as "BELVEDERE COURT" having super built up area of 1458 Square feet bearing BBMP PID No 91-76-6/5 and one car parking space in the basement together with a corresponding of 886 Square feet of undivided share, right title and interest in the land situated at No 6, Spencer Road, Frazer Town, Bangalore-560-005 is bounded as under:

East by : Premises No 7 (Old No 4) Spencer Road.
West by : Premises No 5 (Old No 6) Spencer Road.
North by : Premises No 29 and 31 Coles Road; and
South by : Spencer Road.

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 04-11-2022

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ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿಗಳ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ
**ಶ್ರೀ ಮಲೈ ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ,**
ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಬೆಟ್ಟ, ಕೊಳ್ಳೇಗಾಲ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಚಾಮರಾಜನಗರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ
ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 08225-272128 Email : sec.mmtemple@gmail.com

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಶ್ರೀ ಮ.ಮ.ಕ್ಷೇ.ಅ.ಪ್ರಾ/3/ಪಿಆರ್/08/2022-23 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 27-10-2022

ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ (ದ್ವಿ ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿ)
ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ

| ಕ್ರ ಸಂ. | ಟೆಂಡರ್ ವಿವರ | ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ. ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ) | ಇಎಂಡಿ ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | ಶ್ರೀ ಮಲೈ ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದ ಲಾಡು ವಿಭಾಗ ಮತ್ತು ಅನ್ನದಾಸೋಹಕ್ಕೆ ಒಂದು ವರ್ಷದ ಅವಧಿಗೆ ಬೇಕಾದ ಸೂರ್ಯಕಾಂತಿ ಎಣ್ಣೆ ಸರಬರಾಜು ಮಾಡುವುದು | 300.45 | 3,45,000.00 |

ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು ಮತ್ತು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಅವಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ 27-12-2022 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆ ಒಳಗಾಗಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದ ವಿಷಯ ನಿರ್ವಾಹಕರ ಮೊಬೈಲ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 9886306737 ನ್ನು ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.

**ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಯಡಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಷೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿವೆ.**

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| 1. | ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳು ಚಾಲ್ತಿಗೆ ಬರುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ | ದಿನಾಂಕ : 28-10-2022 | ರ ನಂತರ |
| 2. | ಗುಣಮಟ್ಟ ಮಾದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪೂರ್ವಭಾವಿ ಸಭೆ (Sample Tender Pre Bid Meeting) | ದಿನಾಂಕ : 14-12-2022 | ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 12.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ |
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# DBS Bank India aims to grow gold loans over threefold: ED

**The Hindu Bureau**
CHENNAI

**The bank is planning to roll out products such as unsecured personal loans, loans against property**

DBS Bank India Ltd. has set a target to grow the gold-loan portfolio by more than threefold in five years, said a top official.

"Currently, the gold-loan portfolio stands at ₹4,500 crore," said Bharat Mani, ED & Head - Retail Customer Segment.

"It is a core, inherited product of erstwhile Lakshmi Vilas Bank. We want to build and grow it to ₹13,500 crore," he said.

Besides, DBS Bank India is planning to roll out its phygital offerings and products such as unsecured personal loans, loans against property for small business establishments for working capital requirements, increasing the share of retail banking from 30% to 40%, issue of proprietary credit cards and tying up with insurers for general insurance.

# Sundaram Finance Holdings Q2 net rises 72% to ₹33 crore

**The Hindu Bureau**
CHENNAI

Sundaram Finance Holdings Ltd. consolidated net profit for the second quarter rose 72% to ₹33 crore on higher dividend receipts from portfolio companies.

SF Holdings primarily operates as a holding company owning a portfolio of automotive businesses, including foundries and distribution of spare parts.

As a result, dividend from portfolio companies forms a substantial part of the financial results, it said.

Driven by a strong recovery in the automobile sector, dividend received from portfolio companies stood at ₹68 crore for the half year ended September, against full year's dividend of ₹41 crore in FY22.

However, there are mixed signals on whether the momentum in automotive sector would continue into the second half of the financial year, it said.

"We continue to consolidate our shareholding in core portfolio companies which primarily cater to the automotive business," said chairman Harsha Viji.

WILL HE, WON'T HE?

## Injured Australia captain Finch could miss Afghanistan match

Australia captain Aaron Finch said on Thursday that he could pull out of his team's pivotal final Super 12 match against Afghanistan on Friday because of a hamstring injury. "I will test out properly to make sure that I am not hindering the side at all leading into the game," said Finch. "Because that's the worst possible scenario."

INDIAN SUPER LEAGUE

## FC Goa eases past Jamshedpur, returns home with a bang

FC Goa's first game at home this season was a joyous one as it defeated Jamshedpur FC 3-0 in the Indian Super League (ISL) at Margao on Thursday. Iker Guarrotxena and Noah Wail Sadaoui scored inside the first 15 minutes while Brison Fernandes scored in the 93rd minute to give Goa a win on its return home.

BADMINTON

## Satwik-Chirag duo enters last eight; Gayatri-Treesa pair also advances

Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty entered the last eight with a 22-24, 21-15, 21-11 win over England's Rory Easton and Zach Russ at the Hylo Open Super 300 badminton tournament. In women's doubles, Gayatri Gopi Chand and Treesa Jolly, *in pic*, won 21-18, 21-19 against Netherlands' Debora Jille and Cheryl Seinen.

TRIBUTE TO DIEGO

## A giant Maradona emerges in Argentina days before World Cup

A huge mural of Diego Maradona wearing a national team jersey, his right hand in a fist and a defiant expression on his face, has emerged in the middle of Buenos Aires. The artwork, 148 feet high and 131 feet wide, is one of several tributes Argentines have dedicated to their football "God" ahead of this year's World Cup.

# Men in Blue show mastery of survival in high-pressure duel

India held its nerve against Bangladesh which has a propensity to punch above its weight in clashes against the 'Big Brother'; what stood out in the contest against the Tigers was the fielding as the Indians caught the skiers with aplomb

T20 WORLD CUP

**K.C. Vijaya Kumar**
ADELAIDE

**Taking off!** Arshdeep's final over on Wednesday sealed the deal for India. AP

Arms flung sideways, running with a tilt, Arshdeep Singh seemed like one of those planes descending into the nearby airport. There was joy coursing through the lanky youngster after his last over sealed the deal for India in a rain-affected, nerve-wracking ICC Twenty20 World Cup match against Bangladesh at the Adelaide Oval here on Wednesday night.

**Banana-peel experience**

Pitted against its subcontinental big brother, Bangladesh tends to punch above its weight. This trait is more pronounced at ICC events or even in the Asia Cup, like when it scripted a victory in a match where Sachin Tendulkar scored his 100th international ton. Most often India prevails, but there have been the odd banana-peel experience against its eastern neighbour.

Wednesday seemed headed that way especially after Litton Das (60) batted with panache. He found the gaps, took his spots over the in-field and it was breath-taking. A singular innings offering hope while other batting colleagues desert is an old cricketing trope and it was enacted again once the wet skies intervened.

**Momentum shift**

On resumption, momentum had shifted, a fact accentuated by Litton's run-out effected by K.L. Rahul. The last-named had a remarkable day, scoring a 50 and offering India a piece of fielding brilliance. The vice-captain was a touch unlucky in not being adjudged the Man-of-the-Match, a commendation that went to Virat Kohli (64 n.o.), who seems to be in his element.

Perhaps the knowledge that the gifted Suryakumar Yadav follows him to the crease has bolstered Kohli's verve. Batters and bowlers not only thrive on self-belief but also from the company they keep on the turf. If in his IPL franchise Royal Challengers Bangalore, Kohli found an ally in AB de Villiers, he has Suryakumar in the blue shade.

What stood out in the contest against Bangladesh was the fielding. A skier is a difficult catch to take, the ball seems to hang in the air for eternity and a fielder underneath can feel extremely lonely. Suryakumar and even Arshdeep did well to hold on to their chances.

High-pressure skirmishes are often the winning preserve of the more experienced side and India proved that. "That break did it, the momentum changed," Ravi Shastri said after winding up his commentary stint.

Has India ticked all the boxes? Not really as there are issues. Litton showed that a batter on his day can unleash havoc on this attack even if the Indians recouped and delivered. Dinesh Karthik essayed a slog-sweep and seemed primed to deliver till he got embroiled in a run-out. And the catch he grassed off Litton wasn't easy. But this is a unit that throws up surprises like the way R. Ashwin cleared the ropes in the last over!

As India heads to Melbourne for Sunday's fixture against Zimbabwe, there will be clarity on its semifinal prospects over the next few days. The players, meanwhile, will put their feet up as rest is key during a tournament that involves city-hopping and crazy flights.

### Today's matches

Ireland vs. New Zealand
Adelaide, 9.30 a.m. IST
**H2H in T20Is**
Played **4**
Ireland **0** | New Zealand **4**

Australia vs. Afghanistan
Adelaide, 1.30 p.m. IST
**H2H in T20Is**
First meeting

# Pakistan beats SA, keeps semifinal chances alive

**Reuters**
SYDNEY

**Timely knock:** Shadab Khan's half-century lifted Pakistan from a spot of bother. AFP

Pakistan kept alive its hopes of reaching the T20 World Cup semifinals with a 33-run victory over South Africa in a rain-shortened Super 12 match here on Thursday, bringing the tournament's only unbeaten record to an end.

On the ropes at 43 for four, Pakistan rallied behind spectacular half-centuries by Iftikhar Ahmed and Shadab Khan to post 185 for nine.

South Africa would still have fancied its chances but Shaheen Afridi (3/14) claimed two early wickets and Shadab removed Temba Bavuma and Aiden Markram, who had built a promising third-wicket partnership of 49, in quick order.

The skies opened soon afterwards with South Africa on 69 for four after nine overs and an hour later they resumed with a revised target of 142 from five more overs under the Duckworth-Lewis-Stern method only to fall well short at 108 for nine.

The Proteas remain second, behind India in Group 2, and will secure a semifinal spot if they beat the Netherlands on Sunday. Pakistan must now beat Bangladesh on Sunday and hope the Dutch pull off an upset or Zimbabwe stuns India.

Mohammad Haris, who was approved as a replacement just hours before the match, after Zaman was ruled out of the tournament with injury, came up with a blistering 28 off 11 balls that started with two sixes and a four.

**The scores:** Pakistan 185/9 in 20 overs (Mohammad Haris 28, Iftikhar Ahmed 51, Mohammad Nawas 28, Shadab Khan 52; Anrich Nortje 4/41) bt South Africa 108/9 in 14 overs (Temba Bavuma 36; Shaheen Afridi 3/14, Shadab Khan 2/16) [target revised to 142 from 14 overs, DLS method]. **MoM:** Shadab.

### How they stand

| GROUP 1 | M | W | L | NR | PTS | NRR |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| New Zealand | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 2.233 |
| England | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 0.547 |
| Australia | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 | -0.304 |
| Sri Lanka | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | -0.457 |
| Ireland | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | -1.544 |
| Afghanistan | 4 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | -0.718 |

**Remaining fixtures:** **Nov. 4:** Ireland *vs* New Zealand; Australia *vs* Afghanistan; **Nov. 5:** Sri Lanka *vs* England

| GROUP 2 | M | W | L | NR | PTS | NRR |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| India | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0.730 |
| South Africa | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1.441 |
| Pakistan | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 1.117 |
| Bangladesh | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | -1.276 |
| Zimbabwe | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | -0.313 |
| Netherlands | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | -1.233 |

**Remaining fixtures:** **Nov. 6:** South Africa *vs* Netherlands; Pakistan *vs* Bangladesh; India *vs* Zimbabwe

# Bangladesh accuses Kohli of 'fake fielding'

**Agence France-Presse**
DHAKA

Bangladesh has blamed "fake fielding" by Virat Kohli for their nail-biting loss and will raise it with cricket's governing body, an official told *AFP* on Thursday.

The incident took place in the seventh over of Bangladesh's innings, moments before rain stopped play, when Liton Das played the ball towards the deep off-side field off Axar Patel. As India's Arshdeep Singh threw the ball back, Kohli – standing at point – feigned a throw as the ball whistled past him.

Umpires Marais Erasmus and Chris Brown didn't take action, despite Liton and non-striking batsman Najmul Hossain pointing it out, a Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) official told *AFP*.

The ICC is scheduled to hold a board meeting in Melbourne next week and Bangladesh will raise the matter "if an opportunity comes".

# First-timers Mumbai and Himachal meet in final

**Y.B. Sarangi**
KOLKATA

**Calculated assault:** Shreyas took his time before flexing his muscles and facilitating Mumbai's victory. DEBASISH BHADURI

Shreyas Iyer scored a magnificent half-century to guide Mumbai to a five-wicket win over Vidarbha, and a place in the final of the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy for the first time, at the Eden Gardens on Thursday.

Mumbai will take on another first-timer Himachal, which beat Punjab by 13 runs, on Saturday.

Electing to bat, Vidarbha was well served by opener Atharva Taide (29, 22b, 3x4, 1x6) and Apoorv Wankhade (34, 26b, 3x4, 2x6). Jitesh Sharma (46 n.o., 24b, 3x4, 3x6) switched gears at the right time, hitting three sixes in the last over, to get Vidarbha to a fighting total.

After Mumbai lost skipper Ajinkya Rahane and Yashasvi Jaiswal for 31, Prithvi Shaw (34, 21b, 2x4, 3x6) and Shreyas (73, 44b, 7x4, 4x6) added 43. Shreyas took his time before flexing his muscles. He was severe on pacer Yash Thakur, plundering 19, including a six and three fours, in the 14th over.

Shreyas, who forged a 71-run alliance with Sarfaraz Khan (27, 2x4, 1x6), was held at deep square-leg off Akshay Karnewar with Mumbai needing just 20.

Himachal, asked to bat, rode on quick-fire knocks from Sumeet Verma (51, 25b, 3x4, 3x6) and Akash Vashisht (43, 25b, 4x4, 2x6) to post 176 for seven.

Vashisht added 45 with Sumeet in the middle overs and 47 with Pankaj Jaswal (27, 16b, 2x4, 1x6) in the slog overs.

Led by Rishi Dhawan, who claimed three for 25, the Himachal bowlers struck at regular intervals.

Shubman Gill (45, 32b, 6x4, 1x6), Anmolpreet Singh (30, 25b, 3x4, 1x6), captain Mandeep Singh (29 n.o., 15b, 3x4, 1x6) and Ramandeep Singh (29, 15b, 3x4, 2x6) battled in vain.

**The scores:** Himachal Pradesh 176/7 in 20 overs (Sumeet Verma 51, Akash Vashisht 43) bt Punjab 163/7 in 20 overs (Shubman Gill 45, Anmolpreet Singh 30, Rishi Dhawan 3/25).

Vidarbha 164/7 in 20 overs (Jitesh Sharma 46 n.o., Apoorv Wankhade 34, Shams Mulani 3/20) lost to Mumbai 169/5 in 16.5 overs (Shreyas Iyer 73, Prithvi Shaw 34).

# Praggnanandhaa and Nandhidhaa take titles

**Rakesh Rao**
NEW DELHI

**Twinkle, Twinkle...** Praggnanandhaa and Nandhidhaa shone the brightest in the Asian chess championship. RAKESH RAO

Displaying tremendous resilience, R. Praggnanandhaa cleared a tough test by his Indian Oil colleague B. Adhiban and became the Asian chess champion as India monopolised the podium here on Thursday.

Assured of the women's title worth $6000, with a round to spare, P.V. Nandhidhaa (7.5 points) reached a winning position against the reigning National champion Divya Deshmukh but chose to draw by a three-fold repetition of moves. Eventually, the Electronics and Communications engineer from Chennai won the biggest career of her title by a one-point margin.

After Praggnanandhaa claimed the title with seven points from nine rounds and the winner's share of $7,000, Harsha Bharathakoti topped a six-way tie for the second spot with 6.5 points. Adhiban and second seed S.L. Narayanan completed the top-four spots to qualify for the next World Cup. Those tied for second received $2,950 each. The two World Cup spots from the women's section went to Nandhidhaa and N. Priyanka.

Significantly, M. Praneshh, Viani Antonio Dcunha, Koustav Chatterjee and Turkmenistan's Saparmyrat Atabaeyev achieved Grandmaster norms.

**Top-10 standings: Open:** 1. R. Praggnanandhaa (7 points), 2-7 Harsha Bharathakoti, B. Adhiban, S.L. Narayanan, Shamsiddin Vokhidov (Uzb), S.P. Sethuraman, Karthik Venkataraman (6.5 each); 8-10 M. Pranesh, Viani Antonio Dcunha and Pranav Anand (all 6).

**Women:** 1. P.V. Nandhidhaa (7.5 points), 2-4 N. Priyanka, Divya Deshmukh, Vo Thi Kim Phung (Vie) (6.5 each), 5-7 Liya Kurmangaliyeva (Kaz), Nguyen Thi Mai Hung (Vie), Padmini Rout (6 each), 8-10 Aakanksha Hagawane, Nisha Mohota and Vantika Agrawal (5.5 each).

# Nadal falls to Paul in the second round

**Agence France-Presse**
PARIS

Rafael Nadal crashed out of the Paris Masters in the second round on Wednesday, losing to American Tommy Paul 3-6, 7-6(4), 6-1.

Nadal, who received a bye as second seed, was playing his first singles match in two months after spending time at home in Mallorca with his wife and newborn son.

Felix Auger-Aliassime and Andrey Rublev qualified for the ATP Finals after Taylor Fritz and Hubert Hurkacz, the other contenders, fell in the second round. Gilles Simon beat Fritz 7-5, 5-7, 6-4 while Holger Rune defeated Hurkacz 7-5, 6-1.

On Thursday, Novak Djokovic defeated Karen Khachanov 6-4, 6-1 and Lorenzo Musetti downed third seed Casper Ruud 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Carlos Alcaraz cruised past Bulgarian Grigor Dimitrov 6-1, 6-3 while Frances Tiafoe defeated Alex de Minaur 6-3, 7-6(5).

## INBRIEF

### de Villiers in Bengaluru to meet the RCB team

Fan favourite A.B. de Villiers arrived in Bengaluru on Thursday "to have a chat with the RCB guys ahead of next year's IPL," the Royal Challengers Bangalore's official handle tweeted. The South African, who retired from all forms of the game in Nov. 2021, has been vocal in the past about taking up a non-playing role at the club for which he turned out for 11 years (2011-22).

### Indian men's team enters Asian squash final

The Indian men's team entered the final of the Asian team squash championships in Cheongju, South Korea, on Thursday, with a 2-1 win over Malaysia. However, the women's team lost to Malaysia 1-2. The men will take on Kuwait in the final on Friday.

### Kapil and Sparsh bow out of Asian Boxing Championships

India's Kapil Pokhariya and Sparsh Kumar bowed out of the Asian Elite Boxing Championships after losing their respective round of 16 bouts in Amman on Thursday. Kapil (86 kg) lost 5-0 to Iran's Pouria Amiri. Sparsh (51kg) went down 1-4 to Saken Bibossinov of Kazakhstan.

### KSCA to elect new office-bearers on Nov. 20

The Karnataka State Cricket Association will elect new office-bearers on November 20 in Bengaluru. Elections will be held to the posts of president, vice-president, secretary, joint secretary and treasurer among other posts. Filing of nominations began on Wednesday (November 2) and the last date for the same is November 5. The last time KSCA elections were held was in 2019 when the new BCCI constitution was adopted. Back then, Roger Binny was elected president, alongside J. Abhiram (vice-president), Santosh Menon (secretary), Shavir Tarapore (joint secretary) and Vinay Mruthyunjaya (treasurer).

### LIVE TELECAST

**Men's T20 World Cup:** Super-12s, Star Sports 1 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 9.30 a.m. & 1.30 p.m.

**ATP Paris Masters:** Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Voot Select, 6.30 p.m. onwards.

**ISL:** Star Sports 3, SS Select 1 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 7.30 p.m.

**FIH Pro League:** India vs New Zealand, SS Select 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 7.30 p.m.

**PKL:** Star Sports 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 7.30 p.m. onwards.

**Bundesliga:** Sony Sports 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 1 a.m. (Friday).

**Whiplash header:** Giroud, right, guides in Milan's opener against Salzburg. GETTY IMAGES

# Milan's nine-year long wait ends

Benfica hammers Maccabi Haifa 6-1 to snatch first place on total away goals; Leipzig qualifies

**Agence France-Presse**
PARIS

AC Milan reached the Champions League knock-out stage for the first time in nine years on Wednesday with a 4-0 victory over Salzburg, while RB Leipzig also qualified by thrashing Shakhtar Donetsk 4-0.

Paris Saint-Germain will be the team group winners want to avoid in Monday's last-16 draw after missing out on top spot in Group H despite a 2-1 win at Juventus, as Benfica beat Maccabi Haifa 6-1 to snatch top spot on total away goals.

Milan qualified from Group E in second place behind Chelsea, which came from behind to beat Dinamo Zagreb 2-1. Leipzig also only needed to avoid defeat to go through against Shakhtar.

Holder Real Madrid secured first place in the group by hammering Celtic 5-1.

PSG lost top spot in Group H despite Nuno Mendes' winner in Turin.

**THE RESULTS**

**Group E:** Chelsea 2 (Sterling 18, Zakaria 30) bt Dinamo Zagreb 1 (Petkovic 7); AC Milan 4 (Giroud 14, 57, Krunic 46, Messias 90+1) bt Salzburg 0.

**Group F:** Real Madrid 5 (Modric 6-pen, Rodrygo 21-pen, Asensio 51, Vinicius 61, Valverde 71) bt Celtic 1 (Jota 84); Shakhtar Donetsk 0 lost to RB Leipzig 4 (Nkunku 10, Silva 50, Szoboszlai 62, Bondar 68-og).

**Group G:** Manchester City 3 (Lewis 52, Alvarez 73, Mahrez 83) bt Sevilla 1 (Mir 31); FC Copenhagen 1 (Haraldsson 41) drew with Borussia Dortmund 1 (Hazard 23).

**Group H:** Juventus 1 (Bonucci 39) lost to Paris Saint-Germain 2 (Mbappe 13, Mendes 69); Maccabi Haifa 1 (Chery 26-pen) lost to Benfica 6 (Ramos 20, Musa 59, Grimaldo 69, R. Silva 73, Araujo 88, Mario 90+2).

**The pre-quarterfinalists:** Napoli, Club Brugge, Bayern Munich, Chelsea, Real Madrid, Manchester City, Paris Saint-Germain, Benfica, Borussia Dortmund, Inter Milan, Liverpool, Porto, Tottenham Hotspur, Eintracht Frankfurt, RB Leipzig, AC Milan.

# Sakkari in last four, Jabeur on track

**Agence France-Presse**
FORT WORTH (USA)

Maria Sakkari made the last four of the WTA Finals on Wednesday as Ons Jabeur got her campaign back on track with a win.

Greece's Sakkari secured her place in the semifinals after cruising past seventh-seeded Aryna Sabalenka of Belarus 6-2, 6-4.

Jabeur won 1-6, 6-3, 6-3 over Jessica Pegula.

**The results:**

**Group B:** Ons Jabeur bt Jessica Pegula 1-6, 6-3, 6-3; Maria Sakkari bt Aryna Sabalenka 6-2, 6-4.

# Railways to take on Bengal in the summit clash on Saturday

**WOMEN'S T20 TROPHY**

**Sports Bureau**
BENGALURU

Railways will meet Bengal in the final of the BCCI senior women's T20 trophy at the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium on Saturday.

On Thursday, Railways thrashed Vidarbha by nine wickets to enter the summit clash.

The other last-four encounter between Bengal and Himachal Pradesh was affected by rain, first reduced to a 13 overs-a-side affair before being called off one ball short of the mandated five overs mark in the second innings.

At that stage, chasing a revised 88-run target, Bengal was 29/3.

**More outright wins**

It earned a berth in the final by virtue of having secured more outright wins than Himachal in the league stage. Bengal and Himachal were also tied on total points, necessitating the outright wins tiebreaker criteria.

**The scores (semifinals):**

Vidarbha 87/8 in 20 overs (Sneh Rana 3/19) lost to Railways 88/1 in 15.4 overs (Nuzhat Parween 44 n.o., Mona Meshram 35 n.o.)

Himachal Pradesh 79/4 in 13 overs (Nikita S. Chauhan 30 n.o., Deepti Sharma 3/12) vs. Bengal 29/3 in 4.5 overs [Match revised to 13 overs a side because of rain before being called off. Bengal qualified by virtue of having more outright wins in the league stage].

## BENGALURU ROUND-UP

**Muzamiri 'tricks in Independents' win**

Muzamiri Abdullah scored a hat-trick as Bangalore Independents FC defeated Bangalore Dream United FC 5-2 in the BDFA Super Division League football, here on Thursday.

**The results:** Bangalore Independents FC 5 (Muzamiri Abdullah Mtanga 4, 31, 43, Mahin Hussain 11, Raja Pandi 90+1) bt Bangalore Dream United FC 2 (Jai Har Barman 58, 86); BUFC 1 (Guy Herman Abeleck 90+1) drew with Roots FC 1 (R. Vishal 83).

**Pratyanshu shines, ASC Centre makes last four**

Pratyanshu scored 22 points as Young Orions SC defeated ASC Centre 76-61 to enter the men's semifinals of the State Association Cup basketball tournament, here on Thursday.

**The results (quarterfinals):**

**Men:** Bank of Baroda 80 (Karthik 20, Arvind 15) bt Southern Blues 65 (Abhishek 33, Gowtham 12); CMP 80 (Charley 24, Alvin Cyril 17) bt MNK Rao Park BC 67 (Shreyas 17, Pragnesh 15); Mangalore BC 65 (Ashwij 25, Pradyumna 10) bt PPC 45 (Hriday 15, Milind 13); Young Orions SC 76 (Pratyanshu 22, Arjun 20) bt ASC Centre 61 (Issac 26, Balwan 12).

**Women:** K.S. Hegde Nitte 49 (Sandhya 10) bt DYES Vijayapura 22 (Aishwarya 14); Mounts Club 70 (Niharika 19, Roshini 14) bt DYES Vidyanagar 45 (Preethi 15, Manasa 10); DYES Mysore 50 (Sahana 27) bt BCBC 34 (Rithika 18); SW Railway w/o Rajkumar BC.

**BFC inks deal with Pintola**

Bengaluru FC, on Thursday, announced a one-year deal with Pintola, an Indian organic and natural superfood company, which specialises in making nut butter. The association is set to run through BFC's 2022-23 Indian Super League campaign. In September, Pintola had roped in Sunil Chhetri, the club and Indian National team captain, as a brand ambassador.

**Bhargav and Aqib advance**

Bhargav defeated Manjunath Shivayan 3-2 (15-64, 57-45, 64-37, 21-40, 50-19) in a first-round snooker match of the State-ranking tournament here on Thursday. In another encounter, Aqib Khan defeated Syed Minhaj by an identical 3-2 scoreline (23-54, 72-33, 56-25, 34-60, 57-29).

**Fit India quiz**

The Sports Authority of India will conduct the Fit India Quiz for schoolchildren as a part of commemorating 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. Schools can register online at *https://fitindia.gov.in/fit-india-quiz* on or before November 15. Dates for the preliminary rounds will be communicated to the registered schools and will be made available on the Fit India website.
The total prize money is ₹3.25 crore.

# Chennai and Hyderabad to host Indian Racing League

**Sports Bureau**

Racing Promotions Pvt. Ltd. (RPPL), on Thursday, announced the debut of the Indian Racing League from November 19. The league will be held in Chennai and Hyderabad.

It will begin with the pre-testing at Madras International Circuit (MIC) in Chennai on Nov. 14 and will bring together 20 prominent foreign and Indian drivers to the country for four consecutive weekends of racing.

This year, the Indian Racing League will feature five City-based franchise teams – Speed Demons Delhi, Hyderabad Blackbirds, Bangalore Speedsters, Chennai Turbo Riders and Goa Aces – competing in Chennai and an FIA grade 2 circuit in the streets of Hyderabad.

**The calendar:**
**Nov 19-20:** Hyderabad Street Circuit; **Nov. 25-27:** MIC; **Dec 2-4:** MIC; **Dec 10-11**: Hyderabad Street Circuit.

# Hyderabad races on Nov. 7 cancelled

**Sports Bureau**

The stewards of the Hyderabad Race Club have resolved to cancel the opening day's races of the Hyderabad Winter races scheduled to be run on Monday (Nov. 7) due to lack of entries.

# More Indians should compete on the professional snooker circuit: Balasubramaniam

**Ashwin Achal**
BENGALURU

Billiards and Snooker Federation of India (BSFI) president S. Balasubramaniam would like to see more Indian players compete on the professional snooker circuit.

Balasubramaniam, elected unopposed to the post at the BSFI AGM a few days ago, stated that unless more Indians feature in the professional ranks, "the game will not go anywhere".

"Professional snooker circuit is where the money is. Sadly, there is only one Indian there – Himanshu Jain. Going by the size of our country and the number of players we have, India should have at least 20 players in the top-128 on the pro circuit.

"For that to happen, we need to set up basic infrastructure, and we should be able to fund players to go abroad for training. Professional snooker tournaments attract spectators and eyeballs. People want to see the best in action. Unless Indians are in the pro circuit, this game will not go anywhere," Balasubramaniam said here on Thursday.

S. Balasubramaniam. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

The Indian Open, the lone professional snooker tournament in the country, was last held in 2019. Balasubramaniam stated that the Indian Open is set to be revived.

"We are working on the Indian Open. The next Indian Open should be held in the next 12 to 18 months.

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We are also keen to take forward the professional league which we held for a year," the experienced administrator said.

A contract has been signed to host the next five national championships at SAGE University at Indore, Balasubramaniam said. This is an ideal deal, given the rising costs of hosting national championships.

**Getting harder**

"Hosting national championships have become harder by the year. We get around 1,250 to 1,300 entries across categories each year; the number of matches is mind boggling.

"An association like Karnataka State Billiards Association (KSBA), which has its own facility, can manage to host a national championship. But for most other States, it is far too expensive. This problem has been addressed with a five-year contract with SAGE University in Indore. They will host the national championships for the next five years," Balasubramaniam said.

The BSFI plans to host more tournaments in tier two and three cities, Balasubramaniam said. He added that the association aims to train at least six to eight BSFI-accredited coaches in every State.

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IFT No. PWD:DK:RD:KW-2 3 &4:2022-23:2797 Date: 31-10-2022
**NOTIFICATION FOR POSTPOND THE TENDERS**

The Executive Engineer, Public works Department Division Koppal invites tenders from **Head of Account : 3054-SH Maintenance, 3054-MDR Maintenance /2022-23.** Vide this office letter No: 2582:dated:07-10-2022 due to technical reasons by tenders date and time extended as per mentioned below. The eligible tenderers as per standard bid documents KW-2 3&4 on e-procurement Portal, Two cover Tender procedure as per Rule 28 of the KTPP Act shall be followed. For more information the contractor can contact the under signed during office hours on Phone No. 08539 – 222318 and all informations regarding tenders can be had from website http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in. **Work Indent Nos. 158509, 158572, 158570, 158517, 158577 & 158575 Total No. of works 6. Max: Estimate Amount Rs. 104.74 Lakhs & Min: Estimate Amount Rs. 35.48 Lakhs.** E.M.D, Tender processing fee, Last date & time for Tender Queries/clarification date as mentioned in e-Proc Portal. Last date & time for receipt of tenders 09-11-2022 Time 16.00, Date and time for opening of technical bid 10-11-2022 Time 16.30. Date and time for opening of fincial bid 15-11-2022 Time 11.00

**Sd/- EE, PWD Division, Koppal.**
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**SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION**
(Two-cover system) (Through e-procurement)
IFT NO: 47/ 2022-23 Date : 31-10-2022

The Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Shimoga Special Division, invites tenders as per K.T.P.P act 2000, in standard Bid document K/W-3 ( two cover system) Contractors has registered in PWD Department **Class-3 & above** can apply for **the work approved under 4059-Departmental Buildings. Proposed Construction of Government Polytechnic at Bhadravathi, Shivamogga Dist. (Proposed Construction of Ground and First Floor Class Rooms in Govt. VISSJ Polytechnic at New Town, Bhadravathi, Shivamogga Dist.) (Indent No-159449) Work and in Amount put to Tender is Rs.81.93 lakhs and EMD amount is Rs. 1.64 Lakhs. Time allowed for completion of work is 09 months including Monsoon.**

The tenderers may submit tenders through E-procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka (viz., http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in). The Tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria Specified in Clause 3 of the Section - 2 (Instructions to tenderers) of document, to qualify for award of the contract. Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-procurement portal from **31.10.2022 to 14.11.2022.** Last date for receipt of tender is on **14.11.2022 at 17.30 PM.** The Technical bid will be opened on **15.11.2022 at 5.30 PM onwards** and financial bid will be opened after **16.11.2022 Onwards.** If there any Changes it is published through E-Procurement only. More information may be obtained from the office during working hours. Information published in Website is final.

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**Sd/-Executive Engineer, PWD Special Division, Shimoga.**

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BESCOM invites tender for the following **Enquiry No**.SEE/BCN/AEE(CIVIL)/Enq-01/2022-23 Dated:31.10.2022 for **Providing sanitary arrangements within the premises of Hebbal division office to interconnect to the proposed BWSSB sanitary inlet point**. Last date & Time for Tender Queries/Clarifications on **17.11.2022** upto **16:00** hrs. Last date & time for Receipt of Tenders is **21.11.2022** upto **16:00** hrs. Date & time of Opening Bid is **22.11.2022** at **16:15** hrs. The details regarding participation in the tender can be obtained through e-procurement by visiting Website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **04.11.2022.** For any clarification contact e-Procurement Helps desk, **080-23010900/23010901** or e-mail to **hphelpdesk.blr@gmail.com**

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No. DSU/HWC/131/2022-23 Date: 3/11/2022

**ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಮರು ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ-2**

ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕು.ಕ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿನ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಅಭಿಯಾನದ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕ್ಷೇಮ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮದಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅಗತ್ಯವಿರುವ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ರಸಾಯನಿಕ/ಸಾಧನ ಸಲಕರಣೆ ಹಾಗೂ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಉಪಕರಣಗಳ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಾಗಿ ದ್ವಿ-ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕ ನಿಯಮ 1999-2000 ರನ್ವಯ ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮೂರು (03) ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಮರು ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್-2 ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಅರ್ಹ ತಯಾರಕರು /ಪೂರೈಕೆದಾರರು / ವಿತರಕರು ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು.

A)Tender Information

Sl No 1. Tender No and Date NO :DSU/HWC/01/2021-22 dt: 4.11.2022 Supply of MEDICAL EQUIPMENTS Approx Tender Amount (in Lakh) 141.97 EMD (in Lakh) 2.84 Sl No 2 .Tender No and Date : DSU/HWC/02/2021-22 dt: 4.11.2022 Supply of LAB EQUIPMENTS AND CONSUMABLES Approx Tender Amount (in Lakh) 84.35 EMD (in Lakh) 1.69 Sl No 3. Tender No and Date NO :DSU/HWC/19/2021-22 dt: 4.11.2022 Supply of FURNITURE Approx Tender Amount (in Lakh) 131.85 EMD (in Lakh) 2.64

A)Tender Events

Sl No 1. Events Last date to download The Tender Document Dates. 4.11.2022 11.00 AM to 13.11.2022 gÀ 4.00 PM Sl No 2. Pre Bid meeting Date and Place Dates. 8.11.2022 11.00 AM DHO Office Belagavi Sl No 3. Sample Verification Date and Place Dates. 9.11.2022 11.00 AM DHO Office Belagavi Sl No 4. Last Date of Submission of the Tender Dates. 14.11.2022 4.00 PM Sl No 5. Opening of the Technical Bid Dates. 15.11.2022 5.30 PM

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